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	Kowloon	Yau Ma Tei	Shatin	Tai Po	Tai Po Market	Fanning	Shamshui	Shamshui	Canton
Dep.	6.40	6.50	7.00	7.10	7.20	7.30	7.40	7.50	8.00
Arr.	8.05	8.15	8.25	8.35	8.45	8.55	9.05	9.15	9.25
Dep.	9.30	9.40	9.50	10.00	10.10	10.20	10.30	10.40	10.50
Arr.	11.05	11.15	11.25	11.35	11.45	11.55	12.05	12.15	12.25
Dep.	12.30	12.40	12.50	1.00	1.10	1.20	1.30	1.40	1.50
Arr.	2.05	2.15	2.25	2.35	2.45	2.55	3.05	3.15	3.25
Dep.	3.30	3.40	3.50	4.00	4.10	4.20	4.30	4.40	4.50
Arr.	5.05	5.15	5.25	5.35	5.45	5.55	6.05	6.15	6.25
Dep.	6.30	6.40	6.50	7.00	7.10	7.20	7.30	7.40	7.50
Arr.	8.05	8.15	8.25	8.35	8.45	8.55	9.05	9.15	9.25

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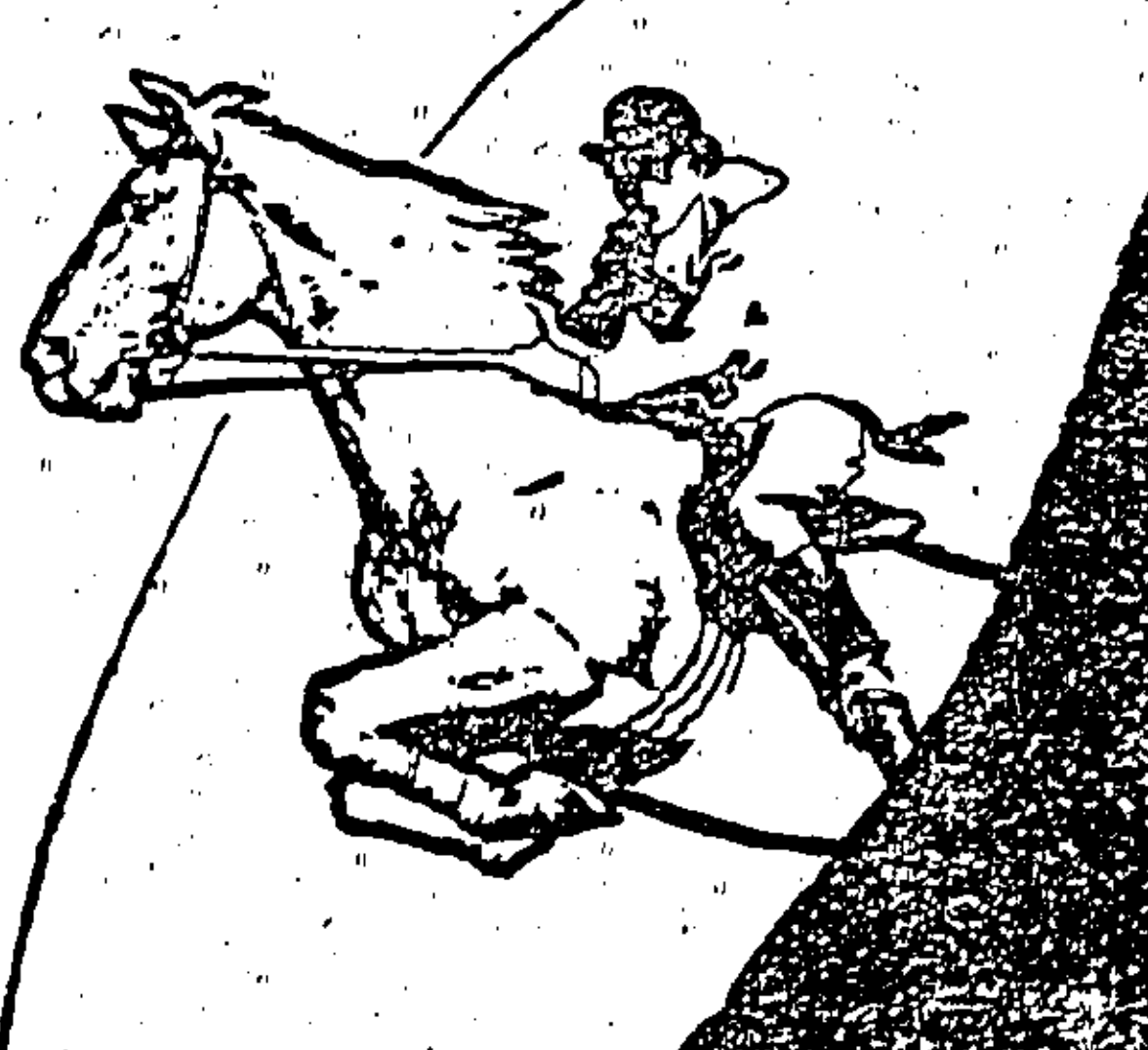
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ROYAL VISIT TO SCOTLAND.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, April 26th.

It is now definitely decided that the King and Queen will visit Edinburgh on Friday, July 8th, for a ten-days' stay at Holyrood. During that period there will be a Royal Court held, and on July 12th their Majesties will pay their promised visit to Glasgow.

With regard to this ceremonial visit to the west, the Socialists on the City Council are in a majority, and they declared that they would not take part in any public welcome or ceremony in connection with the Royal visit. In consequence of this ill-mannered and childish attitude King George has intimated to the Lord Provost that he would prefer to have a private luncheon rather than the big function which had been arranged.

This dignified rebuke to the "Red" Clydesiders ought to have some effect. The Royal visit to Glasgow will only be for the day, for the King and Queen will return to Holyrood on the same evening. It is hoped that their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of York will be able to spend a few days with them in the Scottish capital.

A Novel Idea.

Those responsible for raising money for the Queen Alexandra Memorial Fund appear to have hit upon a novel idea. They have made arrangements with the owners of some of the most famous estates in the country, and have secured permission for the public to be admitted to the gardens and parks during the Summer months at a fee of one shilling per head, which will be handed over to the Fund.

Their Majesties the King and Queen have given permission for the gardens at Sandringham to be opened to the public, and among other owners of "the stately homes of England" who have followed the Royal lead are the Duke of Westminster, the Duke of Norfolk, the Duke of Portland, and the Duke of Devonshire. The final details of this most attractive scheme have not yet been published; but from what has reached me it is clear that this Summer, we shall see an experiment which has never before been tried. That it will succeed goes almost without saying.

Ten Million Deal in Drawing Room.

Announcement is made this week of the amalgamation of the great departmental stores of Selfridges, Limited, and William Whiteley, Limited, in London, the amount of capital involved being £10,000,000. It is the biggest deal of the kind ever carried out in this country. There is naturally a good deal of gossip about the transaction, and it seems that Mr. Gordon Selfridge, the head of the big business in Oxford Street which bears his name, asked the directors of Whiteleys to take afternoon tea with him. They came and sat informally in the drawing room at his private house and talked business, speaking meanwhile. In a very short space the deal was made.

To the inevitable interviewer one of the party, confided that although they were supposed to have tea, they did not drink any. They forgot about it, but they all had "some refreshment stronger than tea afterwards." Selfridges have already a number of retail shops in London.

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RECENT PHILIPPINE EARTHQUAKE.

THE HEAVIEST RECORDED IN TEN YEARS.

ORIGINATED 160 MILES FROM MANILA.

Manila and the neighbouring provinces felt the strongest earthquake in the last ten years at 1.30 o'clock this morning, states the Manila Times of last Wednesday. In the city it attained intensity V with a duration of over 40 seconds, according to the records of the local Observatory. It was felt with intensity IV, along the western part of Luzon in the provinces of Pangasinan, western Nueva Ecija, Tarlac, Pampanga, Bulacan, Rizal, Zambales, Batangas, and Cavite. In the provinces farther east to the north or to the south, if it was felt at all, it must have been feeble, as no report has been received from any of them.

The origin was about 160 kilometers distant from Manila, probably west but not far from the Zambales coast. Its cause was some displacement in a known active line, probably a fault, extending in a south-east to north-west direction off the Zambales coast in the China Sea. From time to time shocks of a rather extensive nature originate in the same line, but very few have been of a destructive character.

Nearly everybody in Manila woke up during the first stage of the tremor. In many hotels the guests rushed to the streets in kimonos or other unconventional attire. Buildings creaked, and hanging objects like electric bulbs and chandeliers swayed. No damage, however, is reported.

Several persons who were awake before the shock occurred, said that it was preceded by a rumbling sound coming from the west.

and the country—old business firms that they have bought up—and although the system of management is everywhere the same as the Oxford Street store, the various subsidiaries continue to trade under their old names.

Mr. Gordon Selfridge came to London eighteen years ago, and founded the business that has been so successful. He started as a boy messenger in some small shop in an American town, and he has been responsible for his present wealth. His London home is Lansdowne House, which was too expensive for the Marquis of Lansdowne to keep up, and he entertains and is entertained by the leaders of Society here, being indeed a very popular personage.

Prayer Book Revision.

Upper and Lower Houses of the Convocations of Canterbury and York this week approved the new Prayer Book, and have sent it forward to the National Assembly of the Church of England. It is now regarded as certain that at the meeting of the Assembly in July the Revised Prayer Book will be finally accepted, and that Parliament will then be asked to sanction the measure. This will see the consummation of twenty years' work.

The Bishops of Birmingham, Norwich, Exeter, and Worcester voted against acceptance of the new book. They did so in spite of eloquent pleas for unity. But in a matter of this kind to look for complete agreement is to expect the impossible. The chief point of division is over the reservation of the Sacrament. On this the Anglican Catholics and the Evangelicals are separated by a deep and wide chasm. There are other points of difference, of course, but this is the main one, and at the moment it is difficult to say whether the end of the controversy will be schism in the Church.

The average layman regards revision with a sense of detachment. He thinks, wherever he gives any thought to the matter, that the Bishops have done their best to arrive at a compromise, and it is for the disputants to make the best of the new Book as it is.—H.B.

DIARY OF EVENTS.

To-day.

H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament (details in sports column daily).
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.
H.K. Auxiliary, B.F. Bible Society annual meeting, Helena May Institute, 4.30 p.m.; meeting, 5.30 p.m.
Dinner dance, Cafe Parisien, 8 p.m.
Concert for service men, "Better" Old Y.M.C.A., Kowloon.
Debate: "That Bachelors should be Taxed," St. Peter's Young Men's Club, 8.30 p.m.
Beethoven Centenary Recital, Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Lovey Mary."
World Theatre: "Code of the West."
Star Theatre: "Salome Jane."
Principal Mail:—Inward: U.S.A., etc. (Shingo, Moravia); Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Amazons), 2.30 p.m.; Europe via Siberia (Athos II), 1.30 p.m.

Wednesday.

Entries close for 3rd Extra Race Meeting, 1 p.m.
Inter-School sports, H.K.F.C. ground, Happy Valley.
H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament (details in sports column daily).
Victoria Diocesan Association "At Home," Helena May Institute, 4.30 p.m.; meeting follows.
Tea dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy, King Edward Hotel and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.
Dinner dance, Cafe Parisien, 8 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Lovey Mary."
World Theatre: "Code of the West."
Star Theatre: "Salome Jane."
Principal Mail:—Outward: Canada, U.S.A., etc., and Europe via Victoria, B.C. (Tyndareus), 10.30 a.m.

Thursday.

General Chamber of Commerce annual meeting, City Hall, 4 p.m.
H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament (details in sports column daily).
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.
Dinner dance, Cafe Parisien, 8 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Unholy Three."
World Theatre: "The Freshman."
Star Theatre: "Big Brother."
Principal Mail:—Inward: Canada, U.S.A., etc. (Empress of Asia); Outward: Europe via Suez (Moravia), 5 p.m.

Friday.

H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament (details in sports column daily).
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy, King Edward Hotel and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.
Dinner dance, Cafe Parisien, 8 p.m.
Service Men's Concert "Cheer O" Y.M.C.A.
Queen's Theatre: "The Unholy Three."
World Theatre: "The Freshman."
Star Theatre: "Big Brother."
Lee Theatre: Professor Harry Pisker (Occult Science Performance, etc.), 9.15 p.m.
Principal Mail:—Outward: Australia, etc. (Arafura), 2.30 p.m.; Europe via Siberia (Szechuen), 5 p.m.

Saturday.

Football:—Lai Wah Final: Civilian (holders) v. Army, H.K. F.C. ground.
Yachting: Closing Cruise at Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club.
Postponed Steeplechase Meeting at Kwai.
Quarry Bay Cup competition, Volunteer Headquarters, 4 p.m.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.
Dinner dance, Cafe Parisien, 8 p.m.
Tennis League:—Division "A": H.K.C.C. v. C.C.C.; C.R.C. v. I.R.C.; U.S.R.C. v. M.B.K.; Division "B": K.C.C. v. H.K.C.C.; I.R.C. v. C.R.C.; M.B.K. v. U.S.R.C.; Club de Recreio v. Nippon Club, University v. S.C.A.A.; C.C.C. v. R.E. Division "C": H.K.C.C. v. K.C.C.; Nippon Club v. C.R.C.; Club de Recreio v. S.C.A.A.; Kowloon British School F.P.A. v. C.C.C.; Netherlands T.C. v. Tai Koo R.O.
Craigengower Cricket Club dance.
Lee Theatre: Professor Harry Pisker (Occult Science Performance, etc.), 9.15 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Unholy Three."
World Theatre: "The Freshman."
Star Theatre: "Big Brother."
Principal Mail:—Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Malwa), 10.30 a.m.
Sunday.
S.C.A.A. annual sports meeting, H.K.F.C. ground, Happy Valley.

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TRIBUTES IN THE HOUSE
COMMONS.

Sir C. Morrison-Bell (Hendon, U.) was cheered on calling attention in the House of Commons on March 16th to the remarkably efficient manner in which the Defence Force was moved by the authorities from Great Britain to Shanghai. He moved:—"That this House approves of the foresight of the Government and congratulates it on its prompt action in taking steps to safeguard the lives of British subjects endangered by the civil war in China." He said the House and the country should feel pride and satisfaction that the War Office and the Board of Trade were able in such a short time so efficiently, swiftly, and quietly to carry through the gigantic operation involved in organising and transporting the Defence Force to China. It was really as if those Departments had simply pressed a button and the whole operation took place without any further fuss. He contrasted the action which the Government had taken for the protection of the lives and property of our fellow countrymen in Shanghai with what he supposed he must take as the policy of the official Opposition. That policy as indicated by the official amendment to the Address called for "the immediate diversion and recall of the forces now on their way to China." He wondered whether hon. and right hon. gentlemen opposite realised what the effect would have been if that policy had been given effect to (Hear, hear). There would not have been a concession there would not have been a treaty port in China which would not have been ransacked and looted within 24 hours, and they might have had the most appalling disaster in China within 48 hours. (Cheers.) The action of the Opposition in this matter had been so amazing that it was almost impossible to find out what they were driving at. It had been argued by the Labour Party that there was no necessity to send troops and that the ships would do as there were sufficient men in the ships. The landing parties of the ships numbered 600 men. The work of the landing parties would chiefly be sentry-go, so that there would really be available only 200 men to keep people out of an area in Shanghai with a perimeter of 14 miles.

Mr. R. M. Banks (Swindon, U.), in seconding the motion, said that the first principle of the Labour Party in any dispute with a foreign Power was that Great Britain was always wrong. (Ministerial cheers.) The second principle which they had adopted was that if it was a matter of investigating facts they could always trust a foreign revolutionary in preference to a British official, and it was possible to believe someone who had never been outside England rather than some member of the House who had spent his life on the spot. "Negotiate, negotiate, negotiate" was the policy of the Labour Party, but why should Mr. Chen trouble to negotiate when there was no one to stop him? He had the force while we at that time had none. But why did hon. gentlemen opposite not allow the negotiations to take their course instead of going behind the representative of his Majesty's Government? (Ministerial cheers.) The real danger was not in the comic opera army with a lawyer at its head outside Shanghai, but the massed violence inside. That was a dangerous and perilous situation indeed. But the presence of British troops in Shanghai—or anywhere else—made for good relations, and self-restraint could avert a catastrophe in Shanghai then the British troops would do it. But if a catastrophe was inevitable, then this country would have reason to thank the Government for the precautions they had taken and rejoice that the mischievous amendments of the Labour Party had been defeated. (Hear, hear.)

The motion was carried by 241 votes to 116—majority 125.

THE CITY OF HECTIC NIGHT.

[By O. C. DIXON.]

The following "hectic" account of life in Shanghai was recently served up to readers of the "Daily Mail," and it may of interest to those who actually do know Shanghai:

Through the talk of every Guardsman you meet in England these days runs the same note: a fierce and hopeless envy of the Cold-steamers who are revelling in active service in China.

And there is much else in Shanghai to enthral a young man enjoying his first experience of the East. The Chinese is essentially a night bird—how he eats, drinks, and plays fantan all night and works sixteen hours next day is one of life's minor mysteries—and the European soon catches the infection.

"In Shanghai," an American friend once told me, with an eloquent wave of the hand, as he called for another cocktail, "in Shanghai the sky's the limit. Hours! You drink as long as you can stand. Montmartre is bright, and Broadway's all right for the man with a one-way pocket; but in Shanghai the night life's fierce." It was, and is. It became so fierce, in fact, that even the Chinese authorities, no Puritans in these matters, were moved to action by the scandal of "The Trenches," a disreputable area outside the Settlement and European control. In its gambling dens and houses of ill-fame, opium-smoking, cocaine-sniffing, and miscellaneous orgies were nightly features, until at last the place acquired such a reputation that its only rivals in the Far East were the dens of Singapore's Sago-street and that sinister corner of Harbin, the last refuge of the cut-throat, pickpocket, and degenerate, known as "the Green Bazaar."

"The Trenches" were at last brought under some sort of control and shorn of their more startling obscenities, but Shanghai, in parts, is still no Sunday School. Lying on one of the main trade and passenger routes of the world, on the way from Europe to America and Japan, it is a port of call for thousands of sightseers. All are anxious to investigate the hectic night life of the East, and there are any number of people engaged, like the Fat Boy, in an earnest endeavour to make their flesh creep.

Nowhere in the world, I should think, are there so many cabarets in proportion to the total white population. They range from the cheap and respectable palais de danse to more select resorts with exotic names like "Paradise," where beautifully dressed professional dancers, mostly Russian, obligingly dance with all comers on the sole condition that they order champagne.

What they drank back home in Verkhneudinsk and Tobolsk and Khabarovsk I do not know. But in Shanghai no Russian girl dreams of drinking anything but champagne, and as they are paid nothing by their employers except commission on drinks I know of no set in which the rigid teetotaler is less popular.

Shanghai is a fantastic blend of East and West, of medievalism thinly overlaid with modernity. You step out of a luxurious club and in five minutes a ricksha has dragged you into a fourth dimension where anything may happen but the expected.

Turning out of the Bubbling Well Road one warm and starlit night I saw a \$2,000 limousine standing outside a hovel whose broken windows were stuffed with sackcloth. What was the lure? Opium? An ordinary intrigue? Hardly. China does not require such secrecy as this.

A hundred yards beyond I check the ricksha with a jerk. From the filthy tenement on the right floated the "Marche Funèbre" of Chopin, played with the touch of a master and the tragic intensity of a lost soul. Who was the pianist? Some Russian fugitive from the Reds, driven down to the level of the coolie? A Russian woman forced by hunger, as many another has been, to live with a Chinese or make the last sad descent to the streets?

No one knows, and in the East few care.

THE KUOMINTANG IN LONDON.

HOW SUN YAT SEN "DAY" WAS CELEBRATED.

COMRADE LANSHERRY TO THE FORE.

Two hundred pairs of tiny feet shuffled along the broad paving stones of stately Portland place.

They belonged to the Kuomintang of Great Britain and Ireland, a Chinese society, which those who own allegiance to it tell you is really the People's National Party.

A bland Chinese revolutionary greeted me at the stately entrance of the Chinese Legation and piloted me through the magnificent rooms, their wide walls covered with priceless tapestries. The dragon was everywhere—in the satin pictures, on the centuries-old flower vases, in the wonderful ivory carvings.

The scene in the palatial reception room, where the Ambassador of the Celestial Empire once received the world's statesmen, was strange to Western eyes. Chinese of every description were reclining in the downy recesses of the gilded chairs—students, keen intellectual young fellows; cooks and sailors, some of them in rough clothes and muffers. They smoked feverishly, and dropped the ash from their cigarettes into tiny trays on carved rosewood stands.

The visitors, members of the Kuomintang, had met to celebrate the second anniversary of the death of Dr. Sun Yat Sen, the Chinese revolutionary and first President of the Republic. Suddenly a young Chinese, with large round spectacles—the celestial counterpart of De Valera—cried out, "Meester Lansberry!"

Brother "Reds."

It was the honourable member for Bow and Bromley making his way up the staircase to spend the afternoon with brother "Reds" of the East. A woman in a scarlet jumper and a wild-brimmed black hat felt tripped along behind him.

Some one asked if "Comrade Lansberry" would like to see the room where Sun Yat Sen was imprisoned from the window of which he threw the dramatic note which led to his release. Mr. Lansberry jumped at the offer, and listened politely while his Chinese guide pieced together the details of the drama of 16 years ago. One of its dramatic persons was a London charwoman, who was said to have helped to secure Sun Yat Sen's release.

Mr. Lansberry retraced his steps to the drawing-room, where the Kuomintang were holding their memorial service to the beloved leader. Sun Yat Sen's picture hung on the wall above an altarlike structure strewn with flowers.

Chinese texts were nailed to the wall. One read: "The fragrance of his reputation flows on through the ages in the history of his country." In this atmosphere of reverence the "Celestial Tribute" was paid. We stood, and at a sign from the chairman, bowed low three times to the framed photograph. That was all—a tribute of silence.—Daily Express.

RESTRICTIONS ON SHANGHAI CHINESE.

SOME OF THE REASONS.

THE BUND ON A SUNDAY.

Now that the telegraphers have definitely postponed any action as regards the admission of Chinese to foreign parks and open spaces to be dealt with at next year's meeting, it may be as well to call the attention of the Municipal authorities to the condition of things obtaining on the Bund foreshore, an area specially mentioned in the preamble to the resolution shelved at the annual meeting.

On Easter Sunday morning, in the area from the Customs Jetty to the Bund Gardens, and even to a lesser extent in the Gardens, the whole of the foreshore grass plots was overrun with a crowd of Bund coolies and riffraff of the most uncouth description, lounging, lolling and lying about the seats and grass lawns. Those not engaged in the pastime of "reading shirts" were apparently conducting a competition in the Shanghai Expectoration Stakes, and the whole place was littered with the filth inseparable from a Chinese coolie crowd.

It may be pointed out that the Bund is Shanghai's front door step and a good housewife usually takes pride in keeping that part of her establishment spotless. Visitors could not have been well impressed with what they saw and their "first impressions" could not have been of the most pleasant nature.

It may also be useful to point out that, if the mob is allowed to believe that they may ignore Municipal regulations on the foreshore, they can hardly be blamed if they extend the principle to other and more important rules issued by the police and Council.

This is hardly a time to give the coolie elements a away what-
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Do, London	£1,111 1/2
Chartered Bank	£231
Mercantile Bank, A. & M.	£232 1/2
Do	£232 1/2
P. & O. Bank	£294
East Asia Bank	£268
Canton Insurance	£580
China Underwriters	£480
N. China Ind. Ins.	£143 buy.
Union Insurance	£256
Yangtze Insurance	£265 1/2
China Fire Insurance	£265 1/2
Hong Kong Fire Ins.	£260 buy.
D. & W. Docks	£31
Steamboats	£42 1/2
Hong Kong & S. S.	£110
Indo-China (Ref.)	£30
Do (Ref.)	£30
Shell Transport	£24 1/2
Star Line	£24 1/2
W. & A. S. S.	£14 buy.
China Sugars	£12
Malayan Sugars	£31
Benguet	£170 buy.
Kailash Mining Ad.	£38
Langkat (combined)	£21
Do (single)	£12 1/2
S. S. Exp. (single)	£4 1/2
Shanghai Loans	£14
Do	£14
Trough Mines	£21 1/2
Ural Alpians	£37
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H. K. & W. Docks	£38
Hongkong	£130
New Engineering	£15 1/2
Shanghai Dock	£100
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Humphreys & Ketchum	£12 1/2
Prater's Buildings	£39
Kwai Lai	£14
Exo Cottons	£14
Oriental	£14
Shanghai Cottons (old)	£14
Do (new)	£14
China Buses	£14
H. K. Tramways	£14
Peak Tram (old)	£15
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Do (new)	£1
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Do (old)	£9
Do (new)	£6
China Provident	£4
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Macao Electric	£35
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Do (new)	£5
Lane Crawford	£7
Mackintosh	£10 1/2
Encines	£9
United Assurance	£20
Watsons (old)	£11
Wm. Forester	£40
Telephones	£4 1/2
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EXCHANGE.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

APRIL 25TH, 1927.	
On London	£9.01
Telegraphic Transfer	2/0 3/16
Bank Bills, on demand	2/0 3/16
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	—
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	—
Credit, at 4 months' sight	2/1 3/16
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	2/1 5/16
On Paris	—
Bank Bills, on demand	1.245
Credit, 4 months' sight	1.320
On New York	—
Bank Bills, on demand	49
Credit, at 60 days' sight	50
On Bombay	—
Telegraphic Transfer	135 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	135 1/2
On Calcutta	—
Telegraphic Transfer	135 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	135 1/2
On Shanghai	—
Bank Bills, at sight	nom.
Private, 30 days' sight	nom.
On Yokohama	On demand... 101
On Manila	On demand... 99 1/2
On Singapore	On demand... 121 1/2
On Batavia	On demand... nom.
On Haiphong	On demand... nom.
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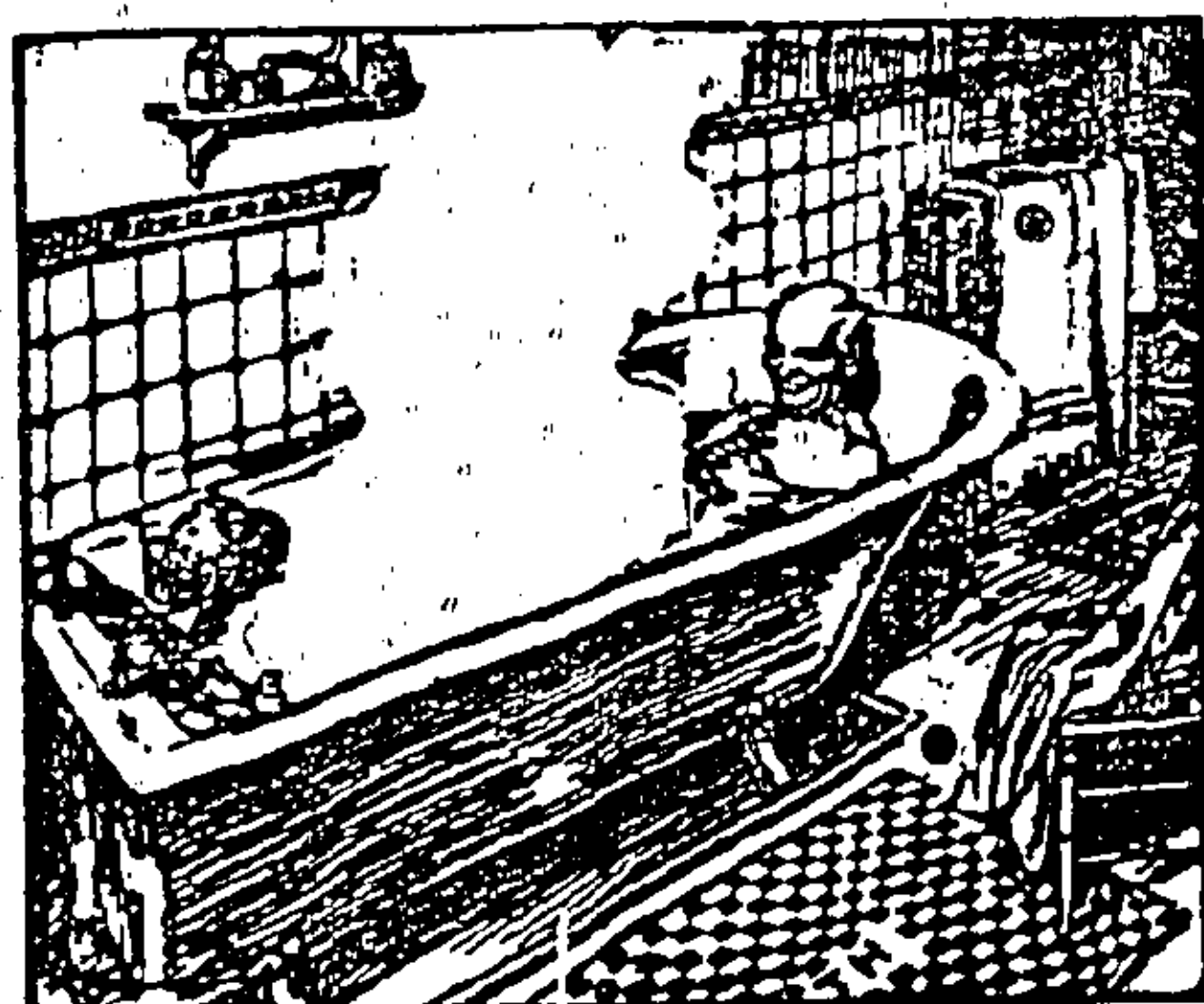
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ENGLAND'S INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION.

THE REV. T. W. FEATHERSTONE ON A PRECEDENT
FOR CHINA.

THE HYGIENIC REVOLUTION OF TO-DAY.

"Some Social and Industrial Changes in the 19th and 20th Centuries" was the subject of an interesting lecture given by the Rev. W. T. Featherstone, M.A. (Headmaster, Diocesan Boys' School) at the Helena May Institute last evening.

There was a fair attendance, and Mr. G. P. de Martin (Inspector of English Schools) who presided, briefly introduced the lecturer, commenting that his subject was of much account to-day.

The lecturer said that he had at first proposed to speak of local conditions in Hong Kong, and in China, but he had decided to wait until he knew more about the subject.

Referring to conditions in England about the year 1800, the lecturer suggested that his audience might form some comparisons between the English political, industrial and social situation then and the state of China now. China they must remember was trying to do in half a century what England and other countries had taken three or four centuries to do.

The trouble began in England when the farm labourers left the country side and the towns became overcrowded. Before 1760 there were few industries in England apart from the woollen industry, which had its centre at Norwich, the biggest English City after London of those times, with a population of 30,000-40,000 people. Communication was bad, and it took four to five days to reach London by coach. Mails were often stolen and robbers were rife.

The industrial revolution, when England became the world's workshop, was generally dated 1780-1840, but it was really still going on.

Mr. Featherstone traced the growth of the population between 1780-1830, and referred to the great change brought about in industrial conditions by the use of coal and iron, this causing a depopulation of rural districts, and emigration to these new hives of industry, where there were no traditions and people often lost their self respect.

In 1750 there was a population of about 12,000,000; in 1830 about 24,000,000; in 1871 31,000,000, and in 1921 40,000,000.

Bad Transition Stage.

Passing to another stage in the progress of the industrial and political changes in England, Mr. Featherstone touched on the brutality which was rife in connection with the employment of child labour in the cotton mills and mines. He described the appalling conditions under which child labour was carried out, and then went on to show how the abuses of the system were gradually improved, and at length abolished by political reforms such as the Factory Acts. The first of these did away with night work, and insisted on a 12 hour day, with the provision of certain education for the younger employees. A later Factory Act provided that employees under 18 years should not work more than 10 hours per day, and those under 15 year a less period.

One of the problems of industry was to provide for the proper utilisation of the workers' leisure in these days of short working hours.

The industrial revolution had now given place to hygienic revolution and with recent improvements he thought one could say that the social and industrial revolution in England had been successful. As an example he quoted that in 1850, with a population of 25,000,000, there were 10,000 convicts. In 1921, with a population of 37,000,000 there were only 1,400 convicts.

At the conclusion of the lecture, a vote of thanks to Mr. Featherstone proposed by the Chairman, was accorded with hearty applause.

THE ENGLISH WAY.

Writing in one of the Sunday papers of a visit to London's Chinatown, "F.P.M." says, the Swiss friend who accompanied him wondered at the English "The Chinese," he said, "have been spitting on your men in China, making faces at your women, hunting your missionaries, and here in London Chinese live and do their business in peace. How is it that mobs don't go and hit them, and loot their goods, and burn their shops?" It isn't the English way.

MADE A MISTAKE.

WOMAN WHO WAS HIT BY
ACCIDENT.

A BRUTAL HUSBAND.

Two Chinese appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday charged with assaulting women. One was accused of striking his unofficial wife, and the other of assaulting his wife.

In the first case the defendant was a farmer of Tinwan, Aberdeen, and he was charged with assaulting a woman with a bamboo pole causing injuries to her head and right hand. He fractured her head, but pleaded in court he was only retaliating because the woman attacked him with a garden hoe.

Inspector Goble, who had charge of the case, said that the woman was not really the man's wife, as previously stated, although they lived together.

Mr. R. E. Lindsell: Defendant, is this your unofficial wife?—Yes.

Why did you hit her like this?—I made a mistake.

You mean you hit her by accident?—Yes.

Do you know she spent two days in Hospital with a broken head? Why can't you two live together peacefully?

The man replied that the quarrel was nothing.

His Worship: Oh, you consider it nothing serious to break the woman's head?

To the woman his Worship then put the question: Are you willing to go back to him?—No.

Then, noticing that the woman was carrying a child, his Worship wished to know whose child it was. The woman: It is my former husband's child.

In fining defendant \$5, or seven days, his Worship said: "You have no right to strike a woman like that." The woman was advised by his Worship to find another place to live in.

Immediately afterwards Inspector Blackman charged a Wanchai Chinese with assaulting his wife at No. 194, Praya East.

This man also pleaded "guilty."

Mr. Lindsell: Another frank admission! What are the facts?

Inspector Blackman said this was also a money quarrel, when accused picked up a piece of lead piping and struck his wife once on the side and twice on the leg. He added that the woman was in an "interesting condition."

Magistrate (to accused): How long have you been married?—About three years.

Any children?—No.

Well, she is on the way to have a child now and you strike her on the side like that. You might have killed the child, and her too.—It was an accident.

If you tell lies it will be the worse for you.

Accused was bound over in a personal bond of \$50 and an additional bond of \$50 and an additional security of \$50 to be of good behaviour for 12 months, the Magistrate remarking: "If you strike your wife again you will go straight to jail."

GOVERNMENT OPIUM, NOT ILLICIT DRUG.

DEFENDANT FAILS TO
APPEAR BUT CASE
DISMISSED.

At the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, before Mr. W. Schofield, a somewhat unusual position arose in connection with an opium case which was down for hearing.

The defendant, who had previously been allowed bail of \$50, failed to appear when the case was called, and it was stated that the analyst's certificate showed that the opium in question was Government opium and therefore there was no case against the defendant.

His Worship said that as there was no case he did not think he could commit the opium or even arrest the defendant's bail. His Worship suggested that the case be put over until the police could find the defendant and bring him to Court.

Sergeant Hargreaves asked that the case be dealt with and the police could then return the bail to the defendant.

The case was accordingly dismissed.

DISPUTE OVER COMMIS- SION.

WIDOW RECEIVES IT AFTER
EIGHT YEARS.

At the Supreme Court yesterday before the acting Chief Justice (Mr. Justice J. R. Wood) there was a final settlement to a long drawn out dispute which first originated eight years ago concerning the \$1,433.50 commission of a former Chinese passenger agent (Leung Shiu Kwong) of the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Ltd. This commission was due to him for bookings of passengers embarked on the s.s. *Monteagle* in November 1919, and it had been paid by the C.P.S. to Lei Chee Ping, the successor to the deceased Leung Shiu Kwong, for payment to the widow.

The widow claimed that she had never received this, and the money having been paid into court by the C.P.S., the action concerned the right to the money in question.

When the case was previously before the Court, Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy, instructed by Mr. Horace Lo, for the widow, made serious allegations against Lei Chee Ping concerning forged endorsements to certain documents and cheques. Lei Chee Ping was not present and his Lordship adjourned the case for a peremptory order first to be made.

Yesterday Mr. Fitzroy said the other side had received due notice which could be proved by the clerk, or by the chit book signed by the solicitors and their client personally. Notice had also appeared on the record.

As Lei Chee Ping was not present or represented, Mr. Fitzroy asked that an order be made for the money to be paid to his client.

His Lordship accordingly dismissed Lei Chee Ping's action, and made an order as requested with costs.

THEFT FROM MOTOR-CAR.

POLISH AND TOOLS FROM
NAVAL SERGEANT'S CAR.

SEQUEL AT KOWLOON COURT.

There was a sequel at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday to the theft of a tin of automobile body polish, a spanner and a pair of pliers from Naval Yard Sergeant Mason's motor car, which had been left unattended in Navy Street during the night.

The Chinese who was charged with the theft, as an unemployed man, and Mr. W. Schofield passed sentence of three weeks' imprisonment with hard labour.

The defendant stated that he had arrived penniless from Shek Lung and not having any abode he slept in the car. At 4 a.m. yesterday he was leaving the car and saw the articles mentioned in the charge. He picked them up and was then arrested by Sergeant Palmer of the Royal Naval Yard Police.

ANOTHER CITY BURGLARY.

SUPPOSED BURGLAR
CAPTURED.

FOUND UNDER A TABLE.

Another City burglary has taken place. In the early hours of yesterday morning the premises of Messrs. Wallamull Buichand, Importers and Exporters, of No. 18, Lan Street, were broken into.

Entry was effected by breaking of a window at the back of the building. Two safes were forced open and their contents extracted, but the alleged burglar was later discovered and arrested.

The discovery that the premises had been broken into was made by a watchman at 8 a.m., and he awakened the manager of the firm, who sleeps on the floor above. On looking into the safes he found that \$250 in money had been stolen.

Hearing a movement under a table on the ground floor, the watchman and manager found a Chinese crouching there. In this man's possession was found the sum of money missing. He was handed over to the police.

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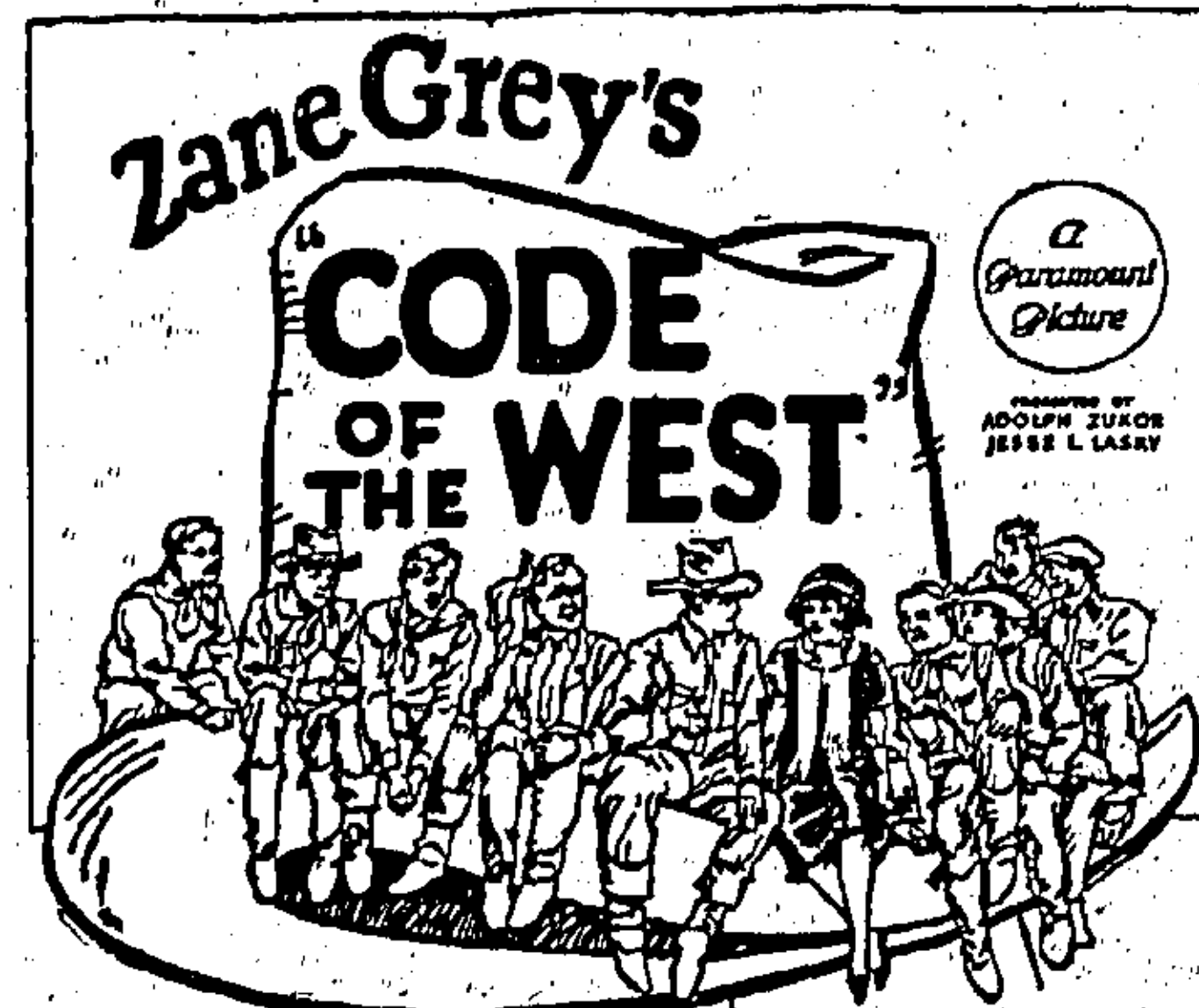
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THE "KHIVA"
MISHAP.PASSENGER'S GRAPHIC
NARRATIVE.GROUNDED AFTER ORDER TO
ANCHOR WAS GIVEN.

AN ANXIOUS NIGHT.

The P. & O. s.s. *Khiva*, which went ashore during thick weather near Steep Island Pass on the morning of April 20th, and which later got off without assistance, arrived in Shanghai on Friday, according to the *North China Daily News* of Saturday. She was escorted by the Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company's salvage and rescue craft *Saney* and *St. Sampson*, and the destroyer *Woley*, and tied up at the Shanghai and Hong-kew Wharf.

The *Khiva* will go into dry dock some time this week, and until then it will not be possible accurately to ascertain the complete extent of the damage she has suffered nor to give an estimate of the time it will take to place her in commission again. Her bows are crumpled somewhat above the water-line, but the most serious damage lies lower down, in the vicinity of No. 1 hold.

Messrs. Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., the local agents for the P. & O. Company, informed a representative of the *North China Daily News* that the sailing of the *Khiva* on May 10th had definitely been cancelled, and that another vessel would take the sailing.

In view of the possibility of a Court of Inquiry being held into the accident, the local agents of the P. & O. were not prepared to discuss how the *Khiva* came to go ashore, beyond saying that it happened in thick weather.

Grounded After Engines Stopped?

According to one of the passengers a deep fog had prevented those on board the ship from seeing the Steep Island Pass Light House, and passengers who had been up on deck shortly before the mishap felt the ominous thrill which attends fog at sea. The ship had been progressing slowly for several hours, and then shortly before midnight the captain ordered the engines to be stopped and anchor dropped for the remainder of the night, or until the fog cleared. The fact that this was done was stated emphatically by the lady passenger who presented her version of the accident, to have been the only thing which saved the ship from crashing on the rocks and from creating a great sea disaster.

The engines were stopped, but the anchor not yet let go when the ship actually struck the rocks. The shock was felt throughout the length of the steamer and several passengers flung out of their beds. The *North China Daily News* informant was among the first to leave her cabin and upon entering the passage outside her cabin she met one of the stewards who said all passengers were to assemble on deck.

An Anxious Night.

At that time the logical conclusion was that the damage was more serious than it later proved to be. The ship seemed to settle down into the water several feet, but there was no list and no signs of panic were noticeable when all passengers gathered on deck. There was no more sleeping for crew or passengers from that time on. Wireless messages were sent out immediately and by Wednesday morning which broke cold and rainy with high seas running it became clear that help would be forthcoming promptly.

The question by that time was whether the bulk-head would hold, as a heavy strain was being put upon it from a cargo of several hundred tons of ironwork. That, combined with the pressure of water in the first hold, created a considerable amount of alarm throughout Wednesday.

Two Warships Arrive.

H.M.S. *Woley* arrived shortly before noon and H.M.S. *Durban* about an hour later on Wednesday and stood by a number of other ships, including an American cruiser which had also picked up the distress signals passed during the day and gave passengers on board a feeling of security. A few hours after the British cruisers had arrived, the *Khiva* lead by the *Woley* proceeded to an island about ten miles up the coast and remained under the lee of this shelter during Wednesday night, when the fear was finally removed that had been present all day from adverse tides which caused the ship to drag on her anchor and threatened to throw her back on the rocks.

The following morning about 5 o'clock the ship got under way again with her own steam and proceeded slowly to Shanghai where she arrived about 8 o'clock. Passengers who had booked passage to Kobe on the *Khiva* left by means of special arrangements made between the P. & O. Steamship Co., and the C.P.R. on the *Empress of Russia* on Saturday.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN
BIBLE SOCIETY.

TO-DAY'S ANNUAL MEETING.

POINTS FROM LAST YEAR'S
REPORT.

Major-General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G., is taking the chair at to-day's annual general meeting of the local auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society. The function is being held at the Helena May Institute and proceedings open at 4.30 p.m. The speakers will be the Rev. G. W. Sheppard, the Society's agent in China and Dr. J. H. Montgomery of Amoy.

The report for 1926 states that the Depot, in Lower Wyndham Street, has been in charge of Mrs. Bailey and the Managing Committee is composed of Chinese and non-Chinese members.

Sales of Bible Society publications at the Depot reached a total of 8,850, comprising Bibles, Testaments and Portions, consisting of single Gospels. The amount received by these sales was \$2,566.31.

In the list of English Scriptures thus distributed are 44 Bibles, 180 New Testaments and 36 Portions, together with 31 Testaments and 71 Portions of a bilingual version, English and Cantonese.

Scriptures in Cantonese figure prominently in the statement. These include 500 Bibles, 1,910 New Testaments and 5,220 Portions. Chinese Wenli Bibles to the number of 891 found purchasers as also did 83 Gospels in Wenli. There was a demand for Scriptures in the Mandarin language and in Hakka which was duly met. Chinese Scriptures in Romanized type were among the publications sold. Vernacular Scriptures in French, German, Portuguese, Polish, Russian, Japanese and Punjabi lend variety to the list of B.F.B.S. publications distributed by sales in 1926.

The Depot again provided Braille Scriptures for the blind and Chinese Bible text scrolls for decorative purposes.

Comparison with the preceding year shows a falling off in the number of Bibles and Testaments, included in the total sales. On the other hand there was a large increase in the number of single Gospels thus placed in circulation. Thirteen Colporteurs have been employed, under responsible missionary supervision, in the Sub-Agent's district. Of this number three men and two women rendered regular service on the island of Hong Kong, in the New Territories and among the shipping and boat population. By colportage 59,866 volumes of the Scriptures were placed in the hands of the people.

In view of the disturbed conditions generally prevalent the sales effected by some of the colporteurs are encouraging. The most serious danger to which they have been exposed in their travels was from bandits.

The balance sheet shows total receipts of \$1,042.87 including \$34.27 brought forward and the year finished with a balance in hand of \$74.77.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS.

PRICE CURRENT AND MARKET
REPORT.BY H.K. GENERAL CHAMBER
OF COMMERCE.

The fortnightly price current and market report, published by the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce, dealing with imports, states—

COTTON FREE GOODS AND FANCY COTTON GOODS.—Our market remains dull and with the exception of forward sales of broadcups we have nothing to report. Cotton quotations show little change, the latest being those of 20th inst. Eg. Sakel, 13.55d. and Mid. Amer. "Spot," 7.73d.

COTTON YARN.—During the interval no sales of any importance have taken place and rates are unchanged. Nominal quotations as follows:—No. 10s. \$145/165; No. 12s. \$150/165; No. 18s. \$155/160; No. 20s. \$170/175. Arrivals: 200 bales. Shipments: Nil. Sales: Nil. Unsold stocks: 13,000 bales. Bargains: 11,100 bales.

WOOLLENS.—Demand has died down and few transactions in woolens have gone through.

RAW COTTONS.—No business to report.

NETALS.—Market dull. Some enquiry from Canton for Steel Bars and small sales of stock reported.

PETROLEUM PRODUCTS.—Kerosene prices advanced 50 cents per unit on 11th inst.

FLOUR MARKET REPORT.—Stocks: 400,000. Market: Dull. Quotations: American Straight, \$3.35 per sack; American Cut off, \$3.64 per sack; Australian No. 1, \$3.64 per sack; Canadian No. 1, \$3.25 per sack; Canadian 2nd Clear, \$3.18 per sack. Shipments (Window Glass).—Market dull.

SUGAR.—Demand improving.

SALT.—Stocks: 18,000 bags. There are no signs of improvement since our last report.

GRISLY FEATS OF OCCULT
SCIENCE.CONVINCING DEMONSTRATION TO LOCAL
PRESSMEN.PROFESSOR HARRY PISLER'S
POWERS.

An extraordinary demonstration of occult science was given by Professor Harry Piser to a gathering of Press representatives yesterday. Professor Piser, who is known throughout Europe for his astonishing performances, is to appear at the Lee Theatre on Friday and Saturday of this week.

M. Piser, who is a young Franco-Swiss, has been touring in India and Indo-China, and on July 14th he will give performances in Marseilles.

His first demonstration, though apparently of a simple nature, completely baffled the onlookers. A large black cloth was bound around his eyes, and by means of thought transmission he was enabled to locate an article that had been secreted in the room. Three small pieces of paper were then distributed by a Pressman to his colleagues, while the Professor stood with his back to the table, eyes blindfolded. The Professor took the Pressman's hand and located the three pieces of paper upon the persons of three members of the gathering. Numbers had been written on these slips before distribution, and the Professor read these out correctly while still blindfolded.

Three small dummy daggers were then placed upon the table, each tied about the handle with a piece of coloured ribbon. Our reporter was invited to select one of the daggers, make a sham stab a friend's back, and then mark the place with a piece of chalk; the Professor remained blindfold as before. Taking the hand of the man who had selected the dagger, he picked out the weapon that had been used, made his way round the table, and to the amazement of the spectators placed it exactly in the middle of the mark upon the "Victim's" back. There were at the time about 20 people in the room.

Stabbing That Did No Harm.

The next two acts were not only spectacular; they were grisly. The professor picked up from the table a long, fairly thick hatpin with a very sharp end, handed it round for inspection; then, grasping a thick bunch of flesh at his throat, he calmly plunged the pin through this, and walked along the room with the ends sticking out on either side. A *Daily Press* reporter, wishing to test this remarkable feat more thoroughly, exposed his bare arm. The Professor took a bunch of flesh upon the inside of the forearm, and stuck the pin straight through, piercing two large veins as he did so. There was no pain, and when the pin was withdrawn, no blood. This is what the Professor calls the petrification of the human body.

Not satisfied with the great impression he had created, the Professor caused his heart to beat first fast and then slow several times while his hand was held and his pulse checked. He finally stopped his heart beats completely. "I can stop my heart beats for 38 seconds," said the Professor. "Longer than that is dangerous. I can do the same with anyone's heart, but I have been fined three times—in France, Italy and Belgium—for so doing. I only practice this upon myself." The stories of Indian Fakirs who induce a state of cataplexy and allow themselves to be buried alive, are usually taken *cum grano salis*. But this extraordinary state was produced by the Professor in his own person. He rendered himself as rigid as a ramrod, so that he did not fall when placed with the nape of his neck upon the back of one chair and his feet upon another. Consciousness was restored by pressure applied to the back of the neck as directed by the Professor himself before the trance. Sweat stood upon his forehead when he came round, and he collapsed into the arms of two members of the audience.

Playing With Death.

"What would have happened if we had failed to bring you round?" asked our reporter. "I should have died," said the Professor simply.

Professor Piser has two decorations that have been conferred upon him at the courts of near-Eastern potentates; he has been made "Commandeur de l'Ordre d'Alphonse" and "Commandeur du Nichan Afkar." One of these was conferred upon him by the Sultan of Morocco, at whose palace he gave several performances.

Professor Piser, before his departure from Europe completely baffled an audience of the world's most celebrated men of learning. It is probable that nothing so remarkable has ever been seen in the Colony.

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TUG-O-WAR IN CANTON.

THE UNDER-CURRENT OF INTRIGUE.

TALK OF RETALIATION FOR EXECUTIONS.

SEAMEN AND RAILWAYMEN WITHOUT A LEADER.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

The Executions which have taken place in Canton have not had any deterrent effect on the extremists and the "C.Y." or Communist Youth faction are planning some sort of retaliation. To guard against any possible uprising, the Police will allow no more gatherings of any character, unless a written application with detailed information is filed with the local authorities in advance. A labour strike is now an illegal act, and any walk out without the full consent of the authorities will be considered as a movement towards "counter-revolution." On the evenings of April 23rd and 24th more alleged "Reds" were arrested and some secret executions are said to have taken place, but no official confirmation has been given of this.

Among the "Reds" executed publicly were two former Hong Kong girl workers. One, Lo Tai Mui, 18 years old, a victim of last Saturday's military execution, was in a knitting factory in Hong Kong before the July, 1923, strike; and the other, Tang Kum Tai, 19 years old, arrived in Canton only a few days before. They are said to have been illiterate, and probably did not know what they had been arrested for.

Chinese seamen belonging to the Unions in Canton and Hong Kong have been most reluctant to talk about their organized affairs during the last few days. Most of them say that they are not leaders and, therefore, are unable to deny or confirm the rumour that they are about to stage a general strike with the railway workers in order to interfere with the programme of action of General Li Tsai Hsin. A number of Chinese consider that General Li Tsai Hsin is not an ardent supporter of Chiang Kai Shek but is simply working for himself and his Kwangsi militarists.

So far the "Reds" in Canton—who are mostly railway workers and seamen—are unable to find a standard bearer to raise the revolt against Chiang Kai Shek, and the threatened general strike may, therefore, never eventuate. The "Prince," otherwise Mr. Sun Fo, is said to have disappointed them all, as no word of enquiry has come from him regarding the welfare of his loyal "comrades" who are being driven away. On the night of the 23rd, several hundred of the "Reds" attempted to regain their ground within the Yueh-Han Railway yard at Wongsha, west of Canton, but they were beaten off. The "comrades" of the "Prince" on the Chinese Section of the Canton-Kowloon Railway are making trouble, and service on this line is still interrupted.

To ease the situation in Canton, all free boarding and lodging houses of the Canton Strike Committee are to be fully resumed. For a time it was thought that these haunts of idlers would be abolished altogether. Although the old leaders of the Strike Committee are said to have been driven from Canton, some 4,000 idlers still need free board and lodging.

According to the latest information to hand, not only the seamen on steamers but also those on junks on Canton waters are being asked

to counter-act the success of the pro-Chiang Kai Shek military-political movement by helping in a general shipping strike. The Canton Police have begun to watch the movement of the sailors on board the junks.

Printers in Canton now have personally to sign a bond agreeing not to publish any anti-Chiang Kai Shek literature and to file this with the Police. The names of all printers authorized to function are with the Police.

Canton is to-day under the pro-Chiang Kai Shek militarists, but the districts eastward are still "Red," and the many reports coming from there indicate that the Peasants Corps are hunting down pro-Chiang agents in the same way as Chiang's militarists are chasing and arresting those supposed to be "Red." If all reports to hand are true, the pro-Chiang militarists who have been executed in the East River districts outnumber the "Reds" who have been shot in Canton City.

One of the most amusing stories now being circulated in Chinese circles is that Mrs. Liao Chung Hoi, widow of the late Mr. Liao Chung Hoi (one time the foremost Bolshevik leader in South China and founder of the Peasants League movement), is "becoming white." Mrs. Liao and Madame Sun Yat Sen, two members of the women's division of the Central Executive Committee, have been engaged in Kuomintang political activities for a considerable time. Her friends state that Mrs. Liao, like Sun Fo and others, is virtually a prisoner in Hankow, and that the military escort with which she is provided is nothing more nor less than a guard to prevent her departure for Nan-king. Many Chinese believe that these stories are circulated simply to "white-wash" the former colleagues of Mr. Borodin. One report is to the effect that Mrs. Liao is now taking refuge in the American Consulate at Hankow. Mr. Liao, it is said, was born in San Francisco and was, therefore, an American citizen.

The detention of Mr. Kan Kum Shek, sometime a councillor of the Kuomintang in Canton, by militarists in Shanghai, is reported in Canton. Mr. Kan, before mixing with the "Prince" clique of the Kuomintang in politics, was advertising manager of Nanyang Brothers Tobacco Company. So far Mr. Kan's arrest has not been confirmed.

The strikers in Canton, who were one time acting as pickets in the anti-British boycott, are to be disbanded at an early date and everyone will be glad to see the end of this body of organized idlers. The Extraordinary Commission now administering Canton has decided to borrow \$3,000,000 from the commercial bodies in Canton and pay each idler \$80 (balance of \$100 each promised them) as a final settlement. The Commission expects to repay the loan by forcing every household in Canton to contribute two months' house rental.

The Canton Police have been busy during the last few days collecting Bolshevik "literature" and destroying it.

Mr. Chen Fu Muh, Commissioner of Agriculture and Labour in Canton (one time "Red" but now a member of the Chiang Kai Shek party), has been permitted to resign. It is hoped by many that, if a more moderate official takes his post, the Canton Christian College and other foreign institutions which have been closed owing to labour tyranny and inadequate police protection may be able to re-open.

Mr. Lum Chih Min, a former managing-director of the Yueh-Han Railway in Canton, who has been in custody for the alleged assassination of late Mr. Liao Chung Hoi, has been pardoned by the Extraordinary Commission and will shortly be released.

The much-advertised demonstration in honour of the success of the "anti-Red" campaign in Canton, postponed several times already, is now fixed for April 27th.

THE STRUGGLE IN KWANGTUNG.

PEASANT CORPS VERSUS LI TSAI HSIN'S TROOPS.

FIGHT FOR THE RAILWAYS.

While the Chiang Kai Shek, anti-Red party, secured an easy victory in Canton itself resistance to their regime seems to be general, if somewhat spasmodic and disorganised, in the country districts of Kwangtung. In the Eastern district above Peking and to the north of Pakong-hau the "Reds" are resisting the attempts of the Canton military to disarm them or curb their influence in the Kuomintang Party. The situation around Shiklung and beyond Tiangrah, is extremely obscure, no news having come in for several days as the telegraph wires have been cut by the "Reds."

Waichow City, once the stronghold of General Chen Chiung Ming, a former "anti-Red" leader, is expected to be the centre of a struggle.

Re-inforcements from the 4th and 7th Army Corps from Canton are going northwards to attack the "Reds" while the 20th Division of the 4th Corps are going to Shektau, Siantong, Shiklung, Teengshin.

War between the "Reds" and the rest (Peasants' Corps) against the People's Volunteers has recommenced around Shikwan and fighting has been going on since the 22nd. The "Reds" are busily recruiting bandits for anti-Chiang Kai Shek campaign. Reports from the North of Kwangtung are most confusing. It appears that some regular Kuomintang troops there are not supporting General Chiang Kai Shek and opposing "anti-Red" troops.

The service on the Canton-Hankow Railway northwards from Woongha now goes no further than Sunkai, the line beyond being in control of "Reds." The "Reds" have also captured the Canton-Samsui Line above the Siantong Station. Between Siantong and Samsui, the tracks are torn in a number of places. The 45th Regiment of the 5th Corps in Canton is being sent against the said "Reds" who are mainly members of the Peasants' Corps and dismissed employees of the line.

CHINESE LAW STUDENT CONVICTED.

BOUGHT PAPERS TO AMUSE HIMSELF.

FINED FOR HAVING ANTI-FOREIGN PROPAGANDA.

A Hakka Chinese, who described himself as a student at a law college at Canton was the defendant in a case heard before Mr. R. E. Lindsay at the Central Magistracy yesterday, in which he was charged with possession of posters on which were cartoons and statements of an anti-foreign character.

After hearing the case, his Worship imposed a fine of \$250, with the alternative of four weeks' imprisonment.

After examining the drawings the Magistrate remarked that they seemed to be rather amusing.

To accused: Do you admit that these anti-foreign posters were all found in your possession?—Yes.

Why did you bring them here?—I bought them on board the *Fathian* from a news boy to amuse myself on the voyage. I did not know it was an offence to bring them here.

Why are you here at all—I am on my way back to my home in Swatow. There is no direct boat from Canton.

Detective Inspector Reynolds said the posters were found between clothing in the accused's bag. Accused was an educated man—a student of the Law College at Canton and ought to have known better.

PRESENTATIONS TO REV. G. R. LINDSAY.

"WE SHALL REMEMBER HIM FOR MANY THINGS."

A MAN OF ENTHUSIASM.

"Hong Kong is in many respects a very sad place to leave," said Mr. J. H. Hunt, Vicar's Warden, making a presentation of a handsome clock to Rev. G. R. Lindsay, the departing vicar of St. Andrew's, Kowloon.

The presentation was made last night at the Soldiers and Sailors Club, Kowloon.

"How often have we to go down to the docks to say 'goodbye' to some one going home, feeling that we shall never see them again!" Mr. Hunt added.

"To-night we have met to bid goodbye to one who has been connected with this Church for seven years. Hong Kong is a place of sojourn; some of us pass on, and our passing is not noticed. But many leave an impression behind that comes up time after time. I think we shall remember Mr. Lindsay for many things, especially for his enthusiasm. It is no joke to be enthusiastic in Kowloon; in fact, you are not very popular if you are enthusiastic, for people do not want to be disturbed. Religion is not popular in Hong Kong; people leave it behind them in England, thinking that they can gather up the threads again in perhaps five years.

We will wish Mr. Lindsay and his family a wonderful future, with big opportunities for all of them." (Applause.)

Mr. Hunt then made the presentation of a handsome clock with Westminster chimes.

"We want you to be reminded of St. Andrew's, not necessarily every time the clock strikes," remarked Mr. Hunt. "But we want you to have something in your home to remind you of Kowloon."

The inscription on the clock was as follows:—

Presented to the Rev. and Mrs. G. R. Lindsay by the Vestry members of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, in appreciation of seven years devoted service. April, 1927.

Mr. Lindsay's Thanks.

"It is very difficult at such moments to voice one's thoughts adequately," said Mr. Lindsay, "and in anything like good form.

"I was rather cheered a moment ago when I thought that, with all my faults, I have left my mark at St. Andrew's. I spilt a bottle of ink here once. (Laughter.)

"On the day I arrived I found a gathering similar but smaller than this. I can only be grateful to you and to God for the liberties and privileges that have been granted to me while I have been here. In addition to the handsome monetary gift from the vestry and apart from this beautiful token of friendship I go away a far richer man than I was when I came. I am exceedingly glad that you have associated with me and my children with me for there is one thing that we have endeavoured to do while here—to create the family spirit.

I have been offered—and have accepted—the living of St. Saviour's Church, Everton, Liverpool, and I am looking forward to beginning work on September 1st in a church with a very large membership.

I carry away with me, amongst all the treasured memories of St. Andrew's, the greatest of all—the testimony that I have received from men and women who have been helped spiritually in their lives during my ministry here." (Applause.)

An interesting entertainment by Scouts, school children and members of the Young Men's Club preceded the presentation.

"HOSPITAL COMFORTS."

The Committee begs to acknowledge with many thanks receipt of 8 cases of miscellaneous Hospital Comforts from the Joint Council of "The Order St. John" and "The British Red Cross Society."

A CHIVALROUS FIREMAN.

MAGISTRATE A LITTLE SCEPTICAL.

FINED \$25,000 IN OPIUM CASE.

CLEARS HIS FRIEND'S WIFE.

Something in the nature of a sensation was caused at the Central Magistracy yesterday, when a Chinese, who was not at that time charged in connection with the offence came forward and admitted the ownership of 299 taels of prepared opium.

His action exonerated a Chinese woman, residing at No. 432, Queen's Road Central, who was originally charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsay with possession of the drug. The man, who was later placed in the dock, came forward and said he did not want to see his friend's wife sent to gaol for an offence which he had himself committed.

Mr. D. McCallum, who was defending the woman when she was charged with possession of the drug, stated that the position was a little difficult. Accused was a Northern Chinese and had not been here very long. The opium was given her to keep by a man who was her husband's friend. This man was willing to come forward and claim the opium which he had left with the woman because he was changing his ship.

His Worship: He is willing to stand the racket?

Mr. McCallum: Quite. This woman is his friend's wife and he does not like to see her suffer for any misdemeanour on his part.

Brought into Court, the man was described as fireman on the a.s. *On Tung*.

In reply to his Worship, the man admitted he had brought the opium from Macao.

His Worship directed that the man be charged and brought back in Court.

About half an hour later he was brought up in Court charged with being in possession of the 299 taels of prepared opium.

His Worship: You admit that the opium was under your control?

Defendant: A friend asked me to take it down here and promised to give me 20 cents for every tael.

His Worship: Why did you leave it in this woman's charge?—She is the wife of a good friend of mine, so I left it at her house for a while.

What did you intend to do with it?—I meant to hand it to another ship bound for Singapore.

Mr. Lindsay asked the Police if there was any reason for them to disbelieve the man's story, and was informed that the authorities were satisfied it was true.

Chivalry Or Not?

Mr. McCallum: There is one comment I would like to make, and that is on the chivalrous action of this man in coming forward. As you, Worship know, in cases of this sort, the woman invariably is made to pay the penalty. Here is a man, however, who comes forward and tells your Worship frankly and candidly that—

His Worship: I understand that the husband is a friend.

Mr. McCallum: No doubt, and he has made use of that friendship, but as soon as he sees that they are likely to get into trouble he steps forward chivalrously and takes the entire blame on himself.

His Worship: It may not be entirely chivalry. The husband may have something to do with it.

The man was fined \$25,000, with the alternative of 19 months' hard labour, and the woman, under the circumstances, was fined only \$50, or four weeks.

AN ARMED ROBBERY.

MACDONNELL ROAD HOUSE ENTERED.

Entering No. 20, Macdonnell Road, yesterday afternoon, about the fifth hour, when there was only one Chinese woman in the residence, three men, one of whom was armed with a knife, stole and decamped with property to the value of \$92.

The usual measures of intimidation were employed and the stolen property comprised \$20 in money and \$70 worth of jewellery.

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NOTICE.

HONG KONG & CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. D. O. RUSSELL has been appointed Chairman of Local Committee and also Joint Attorney with Mr. FRANK GOODWIN, Acting Manager, for this Company during the absence on leave of Mr. W. L. PATTERSON.

By Order of the Directors,
L. J. BLACKBURN,
Engineer and Manager.

NOTICE.

HONG KONG & CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. FRANK GOODWIN has been appointed Acting Manager of the above Company, with Co-operation of Attorney, during my absence on leave.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
L. J. BLACKBURN,
Engineer and Manager.

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Undersecretary of the Canton Insurance Office, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended 31st December, 1926.

THE SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 17th MAY, 1927. Both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.

General Agents,
Hong Kong, 26th April, 1927. (4340)

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MEMBERS & SUBSCRIBERS May Now Book Seats at the Pavilion to witness SEMI-FINALS and FINAL MATCHES of OPEN EVENTS in the Tournament. MEMBERS AND SUBSCRIBERS, Booking at PAVILION ONLY, have the privilege of obtaining Tickets at REDUCED Prices.

Booking will CLOSE at the PAVILION on WEDNESDAY, 27th APRIL, at 8 P.M. After above date (27th APRIL) Booking will be at Messrs. MONTAGUE & Co. at Ordinary Prices. FIRST SEMI-FINAL is Fixed for FRIDAY, 29th APRIL.

Above arrangements are subject to Weather Conditions. (4341)

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-FOURTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the Head Office, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 20th MAY, 1927, at 11 O'CLOCK A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Accounts for 31st December, 1926, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from MAY 4th to MAY 20th, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager,
Hong Kong, April 25th, 1927. (4335)

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at the Head Office, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 20th MAY, 1927, at 11.15 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Accounts for 31st December, 1926, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MAY 4th to MAY 20th, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager,
Hong Kong, April 25th, 1927. (4336)

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at the Head Office, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 20th MAY, 1927, at 11.20 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Accounts for 31st December, 1926, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MAY 4th to MAY 20th, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager,
Hong Kong, April 25th, 1927. (4337)

INTIMATIONS.

FANLING HUNT STEEPLE-CHASES.

THE Postponed EASTER MEETING of the FANLING HUNT will be held on SATURDAY, APRIL 30th.

There will also be a MEETING on MAY 2nd (EMPIRE DAY). (4798)

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

DRAFT Programmes and Entry Forms for the THIRD EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on SATURDAY, the 7th MAY, 1927 (Weather Permitting) may be obtained at the Race Office, Hong Kong Club and Clubway, Bay Street.

Entries will CLOSE at 1 P.M. on WEDNESDAY, 27th of APRIL, 1927. (4395)

HONG KONG FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

CLUBS in Membership are Reminded that all Suggested Additions, Alterations or Amendments to Rules of the above League must be sent in to the Undersecretary Not Later Than MAY 1st in accordance with League Rule 26.

W. E. HOLLANDS,
Hon. Secretary.

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L. C. F. BELLAMY,
General Manager,
Hong Kong, 21st April, 1927. (4323)

BY ORDER OF THE FIRST MORTGAGEES.

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Situate at MONGKOKTSUI in the Colony of Hong Kong and registered at the Land Office as KOWLOON INLAND LOT No. 335, Together with Three Buildings thereon now known as Nos. 14, 16 and 18, NANCHANG STREET, CHOI STREET.

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BY MR. E. V. M. R. DE SOUSA, Auctioneer, at the CHINA AUCTION ROOMS, No. 4, DUNDAS STREET, HONG KONG, ON FRIDAY, THE 6th DAY OF MAY, 1927, AT 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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Mr. E. V. M. R. DE SOUSA, Auctioneer, No. 4, Dundas Street, Hong Kong, the 22nd April, 1927. (4324)

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HONG KONG, APRIL 25th, 1927.

PIRACY PREVENTION REGULATIONS.

The practical result of the investigations made by the Sunning Piracy Commission will doubtless be the total abolition of the Piracy Prevention Regulations. This is, in effect, the recommendation of the Commissioners and, as it has been made after an exhaustive enquiry and following a painstaking consideration of the subject from every point of view, it is to be presumed that the Government will regard it as authoritative and act accordingly.

At first sight, of course, it appears an extraordinary conclusion at which to arrive after the trouble and expense which have been incurred by enforcing and maintaining these regulations over a long period of years. But it must be remembered that the regulations have always been, a bone of contention and the target of continuous criticism. The carrying of guards provided through the Captain Superintendent of Police, for example, has been exceedingly unpopular with owners and officers alike because it has meant a division of responsibility on board ship. The guards were subject to ship's discipline but they received their pay and their punishments at the hands of the shore authorities and naturally they regarded the Police officials as their real masters. This is only one instance of where the enforcement of the regulations led to friction. Many others could be cited. Therefore it has been decided by the Commissioners that the Regulations, as a Government measure, should be swept on one side. This does not mean that

precautions will not be taken against piracy in future, but it does mean that the Government will take no part in the organisation of such precautions on board the various ships. The onus will be placed entirely upon the owners.

In the circumstances this seems a very practical and common-sense line to take, and it should meet the views of those who were responsible for the so-called Minority Report—a report endorsed by most ship-owners which was presented by Mr. N. S. Brown and Mr. T. N. Chau, representatives of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce and the Chinese Chamber of Commerce respectively, and Mr. T. T. LARSEN, the representative of the Combined China Coast Officers' and Engineers' Guilds, who were unofficial members of the Committee appointed by the Government to consider the question of piracy prevention in 1924.

If the Government enforces regulations, as Lieut.-Commander L. J. PITCAIRN-JONES points out in his memorandum on the Minority Report, it tacitly assumes a certain amount of responsibility. We would go further and say that with regulations in force there is inevitably a tendency to rely solely upon them, although they may be only perfunctorily carried out, and to put the whole responsibility on Government shoulders whereas obviously the Government can do little or nothing to prevent an attack by pirates "from within." Everything must depend upon the watchfulness and resource of the officers and if the responsibility rests entirely with them, and there is no "interference" from outside sources, it is much more likely that they will voluntarily use their wits in devising necessary measures to guard against surprise. The owners may safely be left, in their own interest, to co-operate wholeheartedly with the officers in providing the means for "assuring" as far as possible the safe arrival of both passengers and cargo in port.

Reference has been repeatedly made to the great change which has come over woman's outlook in China in recent years. Now a *Daily Express* correspondent in Shanghai telegraphs that the new woman is making herself felt and in many ways eclipsing the men. The beautiful illusion of the Chinese woman as a little caged bird, imprisoned in a red and golden carved room, playing the dulcimer or painting willow patterns, utterly ignorant of the world about her, has faded away. In its place we have a very modernised being, untainted by the traditions of the past, entirely free in her personal actions and ideas, every ready to branch out for herself and even more progressive than the men.

At an International Women's Day celebration at Kiu-king and at Nanking on March 28th, in which thousands of women took part, the chief slogans were, "Equality of the Sexes," "Down with Polygamy," "Down with Infant Marriage," "We want freedom of marriage and divorce," "Women remarrying should not be despised," "Women should join the revolution." This is the new twentieth-century woman in China with a vengeance.

China in the past has been a man's country. Men could do anything they pleased, and women had to submit to his opinions and wishes. The new movement voices the women's awakening, and it is strange, but true, that it is not the foreign educated young women who are leading it, but those who have been educated in the mission or Government schools and colleges of China, those who have played basketball and hockey on Chinese fields and have marched in nationalistic student demonstrations. One naturally inquires whether the parents of these girls approve. In many cases they have misgivings, but they are absolutely powerless, for parental control is one of the forms of oppression which young China has shaken off. Apparently, also, the husbands have no more control of their wives nowadays than the parents have of their daughters.

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Bishop Valtorta left Hong Kong on Monday for the interior. He will be absent about a week.

On Sunday one case of small-pox, three of enteric and one of cerebro-spinal fever were reported. All were Chinese.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Yam Hin Cheuk, clerk at the Colonial Secretary's Office, residing at No. 29, Elgin Street, to Miss Cheung Chow Kwong.

The Corporals of the King's Own Scottish Borderers are holding a dance at the R.E. Theatre, Wellington Barracks, on Wednesday, at which it is understood Lady Clementi, the G.O.C. and Mrs. Luard will be present.

Those interested are reminded that there will be a debate at St. Peter's Young Men's Club this evening, beginning at 8.30 on the motion "That Bachelors should be 'Tamed.' The debate takes place in the Club House, 84, Bonham Road.

The wedding took place at the Union Church, Kowloon, on Saturday of Mr. David Hood, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Maxwell, Walkerville, Newcastle-on-Tyne, and Miss Gertrude Tait, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tait, Burradon, Northumberland.

At the Kowloon Magistracy, a Chinese of No. 96, Lai-chikok Road, was fined \$300 by Mr. W. Schofield for carrying on a cinematograph show without a permit. His Worship pointed out the danger of such performances in private houses where proper fire fighting apparatus was not supplied.

A young Chinese was yesterday charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell in the Police Court with having in his possession six Macao sanpiu lottery tickets. He said his uncle in Macao handed them to him to deliver to a friend living in Hillier Street. Accused was ordered to receive six strokes with a rattan.

Charged before Major Willson with having returned from banishment after being sent away for 10 years, a Chinese yesterday pleaded misadventure. Sub-Inspector Vincent said accused was away for 34 years so that the banishment order had 18 months more to run. Sentence of six months' jail was passed.

There was a meeting of Company Commanders and Officers of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Force at Headquarters last evening, when the future training programme of the Corps was discussed. Details will be published in Corps Orders from time to time as the programme comes into force.

A motor accident occurred in Coronation Road near the Oriental Tobacco Co. on Sunday when a motor cycle ridden by Mr. W. Borrowman of W. S. Bailey & Co., crashed into the side of a motor bus in attempting to pass it. The cycle was almost alongside the bus when it unexpectedly turned to the centre of the road. The cycle ran head-on into the bus and Mr. Borrowman received some painful cuts in the face. He received treatment at Kowloon Hospital.

Three Chinese were charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday with demanding the sum of \$100 from Cheuk Ying at No. 8, North Street, Kennedy Town with the intent to steal. After evidence had been heard, His Worship ordered the first defendant to be detained for another week and then to be bound over in the sum of \$100 to keep the peace for 12 months. The two other defendants were fined \$15 each with the alternative 14 days' hard labour.

"Down with the Women's Union" was the plaintive cry of distressed husbands at a demonstration in Hankow the other day. It was their claim that their wives no longer returned home to be bed and board, but pass the night out "in the same manner as alley cats." The husbands assert that their homes will be disrupted, and demand the return of their wives to the old customs. No wonder the *Express* correspondent describes the women's "emancipation" as "more basically important than all the political bomb-shells which fill the front pages of the newspapers."

LORRY CRASHES OVER EMBANKMENT.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT AT SHANKUWAN.

EIGHT MEN BADLY INJURED: ONE WOMAN KILLED.

Eight Chinese men and one Chinese woman were involved in a serious motor-lorry crash which occurred at Shaukiwan yesterday afternoon. As a result of the vehicle falling over a steep embankment the nine occupants were all seriously injured, and one of them, the woman, died on the way to hospital.

From the few details available last night, it appears that the lorry, which belongs to a Chinese firm at Shaukiwan, was returning to Shaukiwan with a load of firewood, and the nine Chinese mentioned, who had been employed gathering the firewood.

The lorry was coming down Stanley Road toward the Shaukiwan tram terminus when the accident occurred. A little way above the terminus there is a bend, and apparently the driver either attempted to take the bend too fast or the brakes failed to act. At any rate, instead of rounding the corner, the vehicle crashed over the embankment, below which is a deep nullah. Buses on the bank fortunately averted the lorry and prevented it from crashing into the nullah, a drop of over 20 feet from the roadway. As it was the vehicle fell some 15 feet and overturned in its fall. It was entirely smashed, and its occupants thrown out and but for the bushes would almost certainly have been killed on the spot.

When picked up they were all found to be very seriously injured, there being broken limbs, cuts, and internal injuries. As stated, the woman occupant died on the way to hospital, and the eight men were in a very critical condition at the Government Civil Hospital last night.

RETIREMENT OF MR. W. ARMSTRONG.

SHANGHAI'S DIRECTOR OF CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE.

A DISTINGUISHED CAREER.

Hundreds of Shanghai residents read with regret in the last issue of the *Municipal Gazette*, a notice of the retirement of Mr. W. Armstrong, Director of Criminal Intelligence in Shanghai Municipal Police, who retires on May 31st with a pension, after thirty-four years' service with the Municipality.

Mr. Armstrong is 56 years of age. He joined the Shanghai Municipal Police on August 1st, 1893, as a constable, coming to the force from the police of Wigan, Lancs., during service in which force, although a very young man, he received high commendations for his work.

Mr. Armstrong has served under no less than seven chiefs in the Municipal police. He joined under the régime of Capt. J. P. McKuen, who was succeeded by P. J. Pattison, Capt. MacKenzie, Capt. Bolarson, Col. Bruce, Capt. K. J. McKuen, and Capt. Barrett.

He has received five decorations from the Chinese Government, and presents from the Japanese Imperial Government for services during visits to Shanghai of members of the Imperial Family, and wears the Police Long Service and the Queen's Jubilee medals.

As a public servant, with his intimate knowledge of China—its many problems, its geography, its territory—he has won admiration, and often has astonished his friends with the wealth of detailed knowledge he has silently garnered during the years he has served Shanghai, China and the Chinese.

He could discuss out-of-the-way towns, touch on perplexities, speak familiarly of men in high places. He is second to none in the local police force to-day.

As a gentleman, in spite of his Scottish reserve, his granite character and his uniform urbanity have commanded the respect of youth and age—in the force, and outside of it.

PROPERTY SALE.

SPRING GARDEN LANE HOUSE.

At the China Auction Rooms yesterday afternoon Mr. E. V. M. R. de Sousa, by order of the mortgagee, sold leasehold property at No. 24, Spring Garden Lane, and certain other ground. These properties are held for the term of 999 years from July 9th, 1844.

The area of the property is about 675 square feet, and the annual Crown rent \$10.55.

The upset price was \$5,000, with a bid of \$500 acceptable. Messrs. Au Yeung Cheung and Au Yeung Yung became the purchasers for the sum of \$14,600.

NAVAL & MILITARY Y.M.C.A.

THE RED TRIANGLE CANTEN.

BEGINNING OF A PERMANENT EFFORT.

THANKS TO THE HELPERS.

(CONTRIBUTED)

This special branch of the Hong Kong Y.M.C.A. is responsible for two "Red Triangle" canteens now open to service men, which are being largely used by them. The rooms in Queen's Building, Chater Road, were informally opened on March 3rd to accommodate men landing from the troop-ships on their way to Shanghai. At that time only a reading and writing room on the ground floor was equipped, but crowds of men availed themselves of it and of its library where a bright fire cheered that damp and chilly season. The men appeared greatly to appreciate the welcome, of the ladies in charge there. On March 14th a concert room and restaurant on the upper floor was opened and a brisk business began at once.

The "Better 'Ole" in Peking Road, Kowloon, was opened on March 13th. Here a large godown has been turned into a really surprising cheerful place with a refreshment counter at one end and a stage at the other.

The furniture and equipment necessary to turn these premises into comfortable places of recreation, in which men can find just the home-like touches which are so acceptable to them out here, were secured and arranged by a Committee of ladies who would like to acknowledge most gratefully the quick and generous response of the public to their appeal. Ladies also personally superintend and carry out the business of catering and of serving refreshments. They organize music and whist-drives and extend a friendly welcome to all.

The thanks of the Committee of the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. are due to the ladies of the Colony for the splendid support given to this special work.

It is fully recognized that the ladies have created an atmosphere in the Service Y.M.C.A.'s which otherwise would be lacking. The men using the places have, again and again, expressed their appreciation for that which is being done for them.

It is intended to conduct the canteens without any profit whatever. Should receipts from sales exceed the expenditure, the surplus will be used for improving and extending the services of the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. The accounts of this Department are entirely separate from those of the Y.M.C.A. at Salisbury Road, Kowloon.

Members of the Y.M.C.A. and other men friends also render assistance to make things seem as cheery and as comfortable as possible. It is hoped that these canteens may be the beginning of a permanent effort on the part of Hong Kong residents to show hospitality to the service men, whom we are so glad to have in our midst.

ANZAC DAY.

YESTERDAY'S OBSERVANCE BY THE E.A.S.M.A.

WREATH LAID AT CENOTAPH.

The anniversary of the landing of the "Anzac" Gallipoli in 1915, was observed yesterday by a brief, but impressive ceremony at the Cenotaph, where a wreath was laid by members of the Ex-Active Service Men's Association.

At 9.30 a.m. the Committee and members of the Association, and others interested, including two ladies, assembled at the Cenotaph, and headed by Lieut.-Col. Hayley Bell, D.S.O. (President of the Association) and Mr. H. J. Pearce, M.C. (Vice-President) proceeded to the base of the plinth where the beautiful floral tribute was laid.

The inscription on the wreath was:—

"From the Ex-Active Service Men's Association Hong Kong 1914-1918"

Among those present at the ceremony were some who had seen service with the Australian forces. Anzac Day, yesterday was celebrated in Australia and New Zealand as a general holiday.

KUOMINTANG GENERALS' SUPPORT NANKING NATIONALISTS.

"WHITE" RUSSIANS AND SHANTUNG TROOPS DISARMED AT PUKOW.

NORTHERN RESISTANCE SUCCUMBING TO SOUTHERN PRESSURE.

NEW COUNCIL FOR THE BRITISH TIENTSIN CONCESSION.

Four Kuomintang Generals—Yung Shu Chang, Ho Ying Yam, Pei Chung Hsi and Ching Cham—having thrown in their lot with the Nanking Nationalists, have issued a circular telegram in which they support their new masters and call upon all loyal leaders of the Kuomintang at Hankow or elsewhere to go to Nanking and attend to their duties.

The major portion of the "White" Russians and Shantung troops fighting for the North at Pukow have been disarmed and the rest of the opposition is stated to be weakening.

Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's hulk, which lay for so long conspicuously in the Yangtze off Chinkiang, has been destroyed by fire, apparently by coolies actuated by a spirit of revenge.

According to a Shanghai contemporary the Hankow "Reds" have offered a reward for Chiang Kai Shek, dead or alive. Alive, they value him at Tls. 250,000; dead, at Tls. 100,000.

(Wah Te Yat Pao).

TROOP MOVEMENTS INCREASING.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

KIENTANG, April 25th.

The military are organising for a big engagement in the near future. There has been a considerable increase in troop movement for three days.

THE "RED" GENERAL'S RESIGNATION.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

HANKOW, April 24th.

General Tang Seng Chi, the "Red" military chief, has handed his resignation to the Hankow Government. It is understood that his resignation followed the failure of his attempt to obtain a vote of confidence.

The Government has now commenced absorbing labour pickets into the army.

PRICE ON THE HEAD OF GEN. CHIANG KAI SHEK.

Telegrams from Hankow yesterday indicated that the Nationalist Government there had offered a reward of Tls. 250,000 to the man who can capture General Chiang Kai Shek or a lakh of taels to the one who assassinates him, says last Wednesday's North-China Daily News.

It is said that the Hankow Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang has expelled General Chiang, Mr. Hu Han Ming, General Ho Ying Yin, Dr. C. C. Wu, General Pei Chung Hsi, Dr. Tsai Yuan Pai and Mr. Wu Ts Hui from the party, as well as others who attended the Nanking plenary session and who support General Chiang Kai Shek.

OUTRAGE AT WUHU.

B. & S.'S HULK DESTROYED BY FIRES.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

WUHU, April 24th.

Apparently in reprisal for Saturday's incident, when a naval armed guard prevented a mob of coolies from attacking a British river steamer alongside Messrs. Butterfield & Swire's hulk, and as the result of which several coolies received minor bayonet wounds, the hulk was set on fire to-day and destroyed.

The hulk was a large wooden floating landing-stage and godown and it was burned out before effective fire resistance could be put up. Troops have now taken possession of the International Export Company's premises. Considerable looting has taken place. Passing ships were not subjected to gunfire to-day.

COMBING OUT THE COMMUNISTS.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

PARIS, April 24th.

A statement from the European Committee of the Kuomintang, which appears in several newspapers, emphasizes the determination of the Party leaders to comb out the Communists and warmly praises Chiang Kai Shek for making it clear that while breaking with Moscow Chiang intends to fight Chang Tso Lin.

SENATOR BORAH AND THE BRITISH.

REPLIES TO LORD DERBY'S INVITATION.

CHINA "THE ACID TEST."

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 25th.

The Manchester Evening News has received a cable from Senator Borah in reply to a speech at the Manchester Chamber of Commerce luncheon, in which Lord Derby remarked that "there is a prominent politician in America who always seems to think that we are ogres," and added that if Senator Borah would honour him with being his guest, he would conduct him through industrial Lancashire, where he would see what peace means in industry.

Senator Borah retorts that he never said the British were ogres. He appreciates Lord Derby's missionary spirit, but does not feel the need for his gospel of enlightenment. He trusts that millions of British are anxious for world peace and will exert this influence on their Government in the Chinese affair.

Senator Borah says that "China will be the acid test as to whether the nations preaching peace and international justice want peace and justice and whether the industrial peace we covet for our people will be extended to other peoples."

He hopes to visit England, "not to hunt for ogres but to see and know better the people, whose highest encomium is that they are always loyal to their own flag—an attribute which prevails rather strongly in the United States and I think is worth preserving."

SHANGHAI TRAGEDY.

BRITISH SOLDIER ACCIDENTALLY SHOT BY A COMRADE.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, April 25th.

Private J. Doyle, of the Durban, was accidentally shot on Saturday by a comrade. The latter was cleaning an officer's revolver inside a tent, when it went off, the bullet penetrating Doyle's heart. He was buried yesterday with military honours.

AMERICAN SUBMARINES ARRIVE.

The U.S.S. Carnotus, an American submarine tender not unlike H.M.S. Ambrose, arrived in port yesterday, accompanied by an American submarine flotilla.

NEW ZEALAND AND THE SINGAPORE BASE.

LABOUR LEADER'S OPPOSITION.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

WELLINGTON, April 25th.

Mr. Holland, the Parliamentary Labour Leader, promised the strongest resistance to the Government's Defence Programme, especially as to the offer to contribute 12,000,000 towards the Singapore Base in seven or eight annual instalments.

DISTRESSED JAPANESE VESSEL SAFE.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

TOKYO, April 25th.

The Japanese vessel mentioned yesterday as being in distress is safe, though her propeller has been badly damaged.

[This vessel was stated to have on board "300 crab fishers." She had been caught in a severe storm, apparently off the coast of Saghalien.]

JAPANESE COTTON SPINNERS' ASSOCIATION.

IMPORTANT DECISION.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

TOKYO, April 25th.

The Committee of the Japan Cotton Spinners' Association have decided to curtail production by 15 per cent for six months, beginning in May. This decision will be submitted to the general meeting to-morrow.

JAPAN'S FINANCIAL CRISIS.

MORATORIUM EXTENDED.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

TOKYO, April 24th.

The Cabinet have decided to extend the moratorium to all the Japanese colonies except Formosa. The members of the banks of Tokyo Clearing House, in a statement, have agreed to co-operate in every way possible towards rendering mutual assistance.

The Bank of Japan has stated that it intends to extend help to all banks including those which had no transactions with the Bank of Japan.

LATER.
Good Effect Of Bank Of Japan's Action.

The Bank of Japan's statement with regard to its preparedness to make advances to any bank has had a good effect in restoring confidence. The Yokohama Raw Silk Exchange has decided to remain closed till the end of the month.

Keeping Up The Yen Rate.

Tokyo, April 25th.
For the purpose of keeping up the rate of the yen, the Government have decided to ship 10,000,000 yen in silver bullion to Shanghai in the immediate future.

Osaka Banks Re-open.

OSAKA, April 25th.
The banks have re-opened and deposits are flowing in, with no sign of a further run.
The banks are using their discretion with regard to the moratorium, and are allowing customers to draw money required for ordinary purposes.

JAPANESE GOVERNMENT'S INTENTIONS.

The local Japanese Consulate-General have sent us the following statement:—

According to the latest cablegram received by the local Japanese Consulate-General from Tokyo, the Japanese Government has decided to take thorough-going measures to settle the present disquietude in the financial circles of Japan, and, for that purpose, will call the Diet in extra session for five days from May 3rd to enact a special law.

The moratorium in Japan, proclaimed by the Urgent Ordinance on April 22nd, is a provisional step to cope with the financial situation caused by the recent suspension of business by the Bank of Taiwan.

DISARMAMENT.

FUNDAMENTAL DIVERGENCIES.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

GENEVA, April 24th.

In view of the fundamental divergencies between the large majority of the "Preparatory Committee for Disarmament" and the Italian and United States Delegations with regard to the question of the application and supervision of the proposed Disarmament Convention, it has been decided to postpone the Second Reading until about the end of the year for further consideration.

MEXICO AND THE CATHOLICS.

OTHER CHURCH DIGNITARIES.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

MEXICO CITY, April 24th.

In addition to the Catholic prelates mentioned, it is learned that the Archbishop of Puebla and the Bishop of Huajuata were also placed on a train for Laredo. It is reported that other prelates remaining in the country will be deported when found.

LIQUOR FOR U.S.A.

A NEW BASE OF SUPPLY.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WELLINGTON, N.Z., April 24th.

News from Papete suggests that Tahiti is likely to become a new base for the shipment of liquor to America. It is stated that a steamer bound for Australia recently called at Papete and landed into bond 31,000 cases of assorted liquors, mostly whiskey, after which a Canadian steamer loaded 10,000 cases, presumably for Vancouver.

PAN-AMERICAN JURISTS.

ITEMS FOR THE AGENDA.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

RIO DE JANEIRO, April 24th.

One of the Sub-Committees of the Pan-American Jurists Congress has drafted an agenda which includes an arrangement for a scheme of Pan-American Union with headquarters at Washington, also an organization which the Committee has styled a "General Convention of International Private Law" to draft a convention.

MOSCOW'S LITTLE PLANS.

"A VERY ILLUMINATING DOCUMENT."

WHAT CHANG TSO LIN'S RAID REVEALED.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

PEKING, April 19th.

The headquarters of the Ankuochun this evening gave out a translation of what is described as "a very illuminating document" seized in the recent raid on the Soviet Embassy.

The document read:—
"Strictly Confidential."

"Herewith, enclosed, are instructions based on a resolution relative to China adopted by the Assembly of the Executive Committee of the International Communist Party."

"1.—Devote all your energy to back up the revolutionaries in China. For that purpose the Kuomintang should be boosted. Make use of the Hankow incident as showing the progress made by the Kuomintang and the weakness of the Powers in the struggle against the Chinese revolutionaries."

"2.—Push forward the anti-European movement in the territories now occupied by Chang Tso Lin."

"3.—Destroy Chang Tso Lin's credit and brand him as a tool in the hands of international capitalists and Imperialists and an obstacle in the way of the Kuomintang revolutionaries."

"4.—Stir up mob violence against Europeans in general and the British in particular."

"5.—Back up the masses by all means in their anti-foreign movement. In order to provoke international intervention in China methods of whatever nature may be resorted to. Even the looting and murdering of foreigners are justifiable. Whenever Chinese come into conflict with foreign troops it is a unique opportunity for agitation."

Britain The Objective.

"6.—At present, communistic principles should not be applied to China all at once, because if we do so it would help to straighten the position of Chang Tso Lin and hasten the split in the Kuomintang. We have instructed Borodin to suspend radical measures against the capitalists for the time being. Pending the defeat of Chang Tso Lin preserve all class distinctions among Kuomintang members."

"7.—While the anti-foreign movement is being carried on it is necessary to keep the Powers in discord. This is a very pertinent point. Japan can dispatch a large number of troops to China within a short period. It is therefore particularly important to keep Japan aloof. Supervise all movements closely. Keep Japanese out of harm's way. It is difficult to make Japan an exception in the general anti-foreign movement but it is a comparatively easy task to make Great Britain the sole objective (details of discrimination may be made without notice so long as there is a central theme)."

"Send copies of these instructions to all movement directors."

The Ankuochun communiqué states that the original document, which was partly destroyed by fire, is on view at Police Headquarters. Reuter.

JAPAN'S 7 "DON'TS."

NEW PRESS LAW TO KEEP OUT RED POISON.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

TOKYO.

There are seven Japanese Press cannot do, according to a revised Press Law now before the Diet for enactment, and the first of these is that nothing whatever must appear in print "detrimental to the dignity of the Imperial Family." The full list of "Don'ts" for the editors is:

Do not publish (1) news detrimental to the dignity of the Imperial Family, (2) views proposing a change of the national organization, (3) opinions proposing a change of the political system as fixed in the Imperial Constitution, or denying private ownership of property, (4) matter detrimental to the interest of the Empire by disclosing military or diplomatic secrets, (5) matter instigatory of criminal offence or encouraging criminal action, (6) false or exaggerated reports likely to cause social disorder, (7) reports likely to destroy good manners, such as matters regarding home life, suggestive of irregularity, impurity, or cruelty.

The revision of the Press Law now before the Diet is intended to strengthen the hands of the authorities in their fight to keep Russian Communism out of Japan.

NANKING VERSUS HANKOW.

PROSPECTS AND SITUATION ANALYSED.

CHIANG KAI SHEK'S DECLARATION OF WAR ON COMMUNISTS.

NORTHERN ATTACK FROM HONAN.

The following article from the "North China Daily News" admirably sums up the present position with regard to the rival Kuomintang Governments at Hankow and Nanking:

The reorganization of the new Government in Nanking has been duly celebrated in Nanking and Shanghai and probably in other places in Kiangsu and Chekiang. Theoretically, there is no new Government. Theoretically and by resolutions passed in Hankow, the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang has moved its headquarters from Nanchang to Nanking, but these devious fictions are of remote importance. Resolutions have been passed requesting General Tan Yen Kai and Mr. Wang Ching Hui to leave Hankow and to come immediately to Nanking, but it is very doubtful whether they can perform this act as shipping, among other factors, is very scarce. Other members of the Central Executive Committee—that is, that committee which existed before the Plenary Session recently held in Hankow, have been requested to come. Many of them are in Nanking. Some have stayed away. It is not a matter of very great importance, as the Nanking Government is General Chiang Kai Shek's Government and he will probably manage it as he sees fit with or without the support of the civilian Government which is ostentatiously being created in Nanking.

War Declared On Hankow.
The purpose of the Nanking Government is to purge the Kuomintang of the C.P. elements and to drive out of the Nationalist Government all Communists. As the whole Hankow Government is a Communist organization, this tantamount to a declaration of war against it. Hankow has responded by a warlike act: it has declared a moratorium, sealed all the safes and vaults, forbidden the banks to pay out any silver and ordered the populace to accept the banknotes of the Hankow branches of the Banks of China and Communications and the Central Bank. As the Central Bank reserves are in Canton under the control of the military there, the Hankow people are in a very bad way. But the Hankow Government will by this method achieve several millions which they will undoubtedly utilize to start another war, this time against General Chiang Kai Shek's Government in Nanking. Thus, is the Nationalist Government broken in twain with its far-famed, Russian-trained army fighting not "imperialism" and capitalism as they were several weeks ago, but counter-revolution for in the parliament of General Chiang Kai Shek, Hankow is a Communist counter-revolutionary body engaged in destroying the fruits of the Kuomintang revolution, while Hankow accuses Nanking of doing exactly the same thing, but this time, it is not the Communist who is the counter-revolutionist, but the militarists.

Even The Pinks Excluded.
The "rightness" of General Chiang Kai Shek's Government cannot be questioned, as the leading spirit of the Nanking Conference is Mr. Hu Han Ming. This leadership closes the door to even pink Communists. Mr. Hu spent some time in exile in Moscow, where he learned all the methods of the Third International. Since his return to China last May, he has been active in creating the split between the Kuomintang and the Communists which has now eventuated.

The fact that so many of the military men of the Nationalist Army who were expected to join General Chiang Kai Shek have gone over to Hankow raises doubt as to the status of the Nanking Government. And at the same time, there are constant, authoritative reports of shooting from Pukow and of Marshal Sun Chuan Fang's revival of an effort to capture Chinkiang. If these reports be true, they mean that General Chiang Kai Shek has been unable to make any arrangements with the Northern Militarists to protect himself from their military efforts while he is engaged with Hankow.

the latter being the chairman of the French Concession Commercial Federation, have dispatched another lengthy manifesto appealing to the people to rise and fight for the eradication of Communism. They point out, in conclusion, that an opportunity should be given to the young people who have been misled by the Communist agitators and radicals to repent and to become good and useful citizens of China.

A large number of Chinese public organizations, said to number more than 200 in all, are strongly supporting the movement initiated by Messrs. Wong, Chang and Doo. They have published manifestos expressing their appreciation of the lead taken by these gentlemen and pledge their full support in the fight against "Communism." The Kuomintang, they say, must be rid of Communism if it is to exist and Communism, therefore, must be nipped in the bud.

In the course of a statement to the press, Mr. Doo, who was a Taoist in the Manchou regime says that he and his colleagues, realizing that it was necessary that Communism should be exterminated, if China was to be saved, considered that action must be taken at once. They decided that it would be useless to sit by and allow others to take the lead in the fight. If all the merchants simply waited for the others to take the initiative, the country would go to the dogs and the merchants could never do business in peace, so they assumed the responsibility and would give their entire time and fortunes to fight a menace such as China had never before been faced with. He hoped that all would join, foreigners and Chinese alike.

The Merchants' Responsibilities.
Messrs. Wong King Yung, Chang Siau Ling and Doo Yoch Sung, who have sold out to the imperialist. All slogans are therefore to be revised on the basis of the new orientation, as the Russians will undoubtedly tell them in Hankow. From a financial standpoint, the plums are with the Nanking Government. They have the two wealthy, revenue-producing provinces of Kiangsu and Kwangtung to draw upon. Ultimately, if any Kuomintang group can engender any foreign suspension of judgment, they will have it. The middle class of China is behind them and they have quelled but not killed C.P. labour activity in the industrial centres under their control. To that extent, they have strength. Hankow, on the other hand, still dominates the bulk of the Nationalist army. Generals Tang Sengchi and Chu Pai Teh are for the moment with them. It is possible that both will eventually become Tsuchuns and leave the Communists helpless.

General Chiang Kai Shek has issued a public statement in which the Chinese press announcing that a decision has been reached by the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang and the Supervisory Committee that Communists who advocate Bolshevik principles at the expense of the Nationalist Party will hereafter be considered as counter-revolutionaries and will be treated as such to the full extent of the law. It is necessary, says the commander-in-chief of the Nationalist forces, that precautionary measures should be adopted at the present time in order to terminate the Communist menace in the provinces under the control of the Nationalist Government. Communist and Communist sympathizers will be tried and sentenced by the Kuomintang plenary sessions, which hereafter will be held in Nanking. General Chiang, therefore, has instructed all his subordinates to arrest Communists residing in their respective districts and to employ all possible measures to suppress rioting incited by the Communists, in order to ensure the preservation of peace and order.

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LAWN TENNIS.

FINCHER BROTHERS
DEFEATED.

INDIAN SUCCESSES.

RUSSELL-BROWN WINS AGAIN.

Cassumbhoy and Razack, a promising Indian pair, upset the calculations of many followers of the game by defeating the Fincher brothers in the Open Doubles Championship of the Colony yesterday. This was in the third round and the Indian lads won easily by three sets to love. The result came as a great surprise for the Fincher brothers last year proved themselves one of the most formidable combinations in the Colony and were expected to go a long way in the current tournament.

Yesterday, however, they gave a very poor exhibition. Cassumbhoy and Razack, on the other hand, showed a marked improvement on their form last year and conceded seven games only in the match.

They now meet the winners of Prata and Souza, the Portuguese pair, and Col. Russell Brown and Forster, who are playing to-day. On form, they should be able to get through either pair and qualify to play the Rumjahn in the semi-final.

On the Stand Court, S. A. Rumjahn did very well in beating M. W. Lo in straight sets and thus enters the semi-final of the Open Singles to meet the winner of Honda and Ng Sze Cheung who are playing to-morrow. An exciting struggle was seen in the opening set, which went to 8-6. Both players led alternately, but for a long time neither could secure a lead of more than one game. The pace told on the Chinese player and in the second set after 2 all had been called he lost the next four games. Rumjahn continued strongly in the third set and after some fast play won it at 6-1.

M. W. Lo played consistently and kept a very good length throughout. Rumjahn was a little uncertain with his first services and he was also reckless at times. Of the two he was by far the more enterprising.

Col. Russell Brown gained a creditable up-hill victory over Sewell in the second round of the Club Singles. The Colonel lost the first two sets, but won the last three after a hard struggle in each. The two players adopted similar tactics and rallies were unusually long, being mostly from the base line.

S. E. Green, the holder, also won his way to the third round of the Club Singles easily disposing of Pendered.

The full scores of yesterday's matches are as follows:—

Open Singles.

4th Round:—S. A. Rumjahn beat

M. W. Lo, 6-6, 6-2, 6-1.

Open Doubles.

3rd Round:—I. M. Razack and J. A.

Cassumbhoy beat E. C. Fincher

and E. F. Fincher, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2.

Club Singles.

Col. C. Russell Brown beat G. W.

Sewell, 4-3, 3-6, 7-5, 8-6, 7-5.

S. E. Green beat T. D. E. Pendered,

6-1, 6-0, 6-2.

Handicap Singles "A."

H. Owen Hughes (sec.) beat A.

Piercy (rec. 15), 6-1, 6-2.

R. M. Henderson (owe 2/8) beat

W. B. Cornaby (sec.), 6-4, 0-6, 6-3.

Dr. D. J. Valentine (rec. 1/8) beat

H. J. Armstrong (rec. 4/6), 6-6, 6-3.

Handicap Singles "B."

M. M. Watson (rec. 15/1) beat H.

V. Parker (rec. 15), 6-3, 6-4.

TODAY'S MATCHES.

Open Doubles.

Col. C. Russell Brown and L.

Forster v. E. da Souza and F.

Prata (3rd round).

F. A. Redmond and Dr. R. E.

Tottenham v. Yew Man Tsun and

Yew Man Kit (4th round).

Handicap Singles "A."

W. M. Lyons (owe 15/3) v.

Barker (rec. 4/6).

H. Graves (sec. 5/8) v. R. G.

Wilkinson (rec. 15/1).

Handicap Doubles.

A. W. Hayward and J. D. Hum-

phreys (rec. 2/8) v. Dr. W. L.

Thomas and G. W. Sewell (owe

2/6).

A. B. Raworth and T. King (owe

1/8) v. A. Brearley and R. M. Hen-

derson (owe 3/8).

H. J. Armstrong and S. M. Ger-

rard (rec. 3/8) v. T. D. E. Pen-

dered and G. Miskin (sec.).

L. M. E. Lloyd and W. A.

Newers (rec. 3/8) v. R. L. Mon-

crieff and R. W. Lee (rec. 15/1).

GOLF.

K.O.C. v. JUNIOR SECTION.

Playing sixteen aside on the Kow-

loon City Course on Sunday, the

Kowloon Golf Club defeated the

Junior Section of the Royal Hong

Kong Golf Club by 24 points to 91,

as announced yesterday.

The Kowloon Club only lost four

games, winning 16 and drawing

four. On the morning, the home

club led by 104 points, and in the

afternoon, during the foursomes,

they increased this lead to 144

points.

The full scores are as under:—

Singles.

J. D. Thomson 0 J. McCubbin 1

F. E. Remedios 1 H. McTavish 0

A. W. da Roza 1 J. Laing 0

E. D. da Roza 1 F. E. Booker 0

J. C. Thomson 1 F. Glover 0

G. B. Slipper 1 J. Perry 0

H. W. Page 1 J. O. McLaggan 0

S. Gray 1 G. McLeod 0

S. Hewkin 1 H. Gray 0

W. S. Hillier 1 J. McBrice 0

H. Overy 1 J. Harper 0

W. J. Carroll 1 A. Goldenberg 0

I. B. Trevor 1 T. Young 0

J. McQueen 1 A. Brooksbank 0

Totals 194 34

Foursomes.

J. D. Thomson and E. T.

Andrews 2

J. McCubbin and J. Laing 0

F. E. Remedios and A. W.

da Roza 2

H. McTavish and R. Cam-

bell 0

E. D. da Roza and J. O.

Thomson 0

F. E. Booker and R. C.

Wallace 2

G. B. Slipper and H. W.

Page 0

F. Glover and J. Perry 0

J. O. McLaggan and S.

Hewkin 2 1/2

W. Pryde and H. Gray 0

S. Gray and H. Overy 0

W. S. Hillier and W. J.

Carroll 0

J. McBrice and A. Gol-

denberg 2

I. B. Trevor and J. Mc-

Queen 2

T. Young and A. Brook-

bank 0

Totals 10 1/2 6 1/2

CRICKET.

THE RECORD OF MR. W.

BRACE.

Playing in the cricket match on

the K.C.C. ground on Saturday, be-

tween the Kowloon Cricket Club

and Mr. A. W. Hayward's XI (the

match was reported in yesterday's

issue) W. Brace, Kowloon's most

prominent batsman, in scoring 28,

passed the 1,000 runs mark for the

season of 1926-7. Incidentally he

has set up a new record for the

K.C.C. For his aggregate of 1,025

runs, he batted 22 times his average

being 46.59.

BASKET BALL.

YING WA COLLEGE DEFEAT

PAUL'S.

The Ying Wa College basket ball

team made practically certain of

the Hong Kong School League

championship yesterday afternoon

by defeating St. Paul's College by

28 points to 13, after a keen con-

test on the Chinese Y.M.C.A.

ground. Both teams had gone

through the season undefeated.

Ying Wa won the open league

championship several weeks ago.

The members of this year's team

are:—Lau Tak Kwong (centre and

captain) and Siu Pui Wai and Lo

Tang Yuen (forwards) and Kwok

Mok Hoi, Wong Yan Chiu, Sung

Siu Kwan (guards).

PAVILION SEATS BOOKING.

The final stages of the Hong Kong

Cricket Club Tennis Tournament

are now being reached, and members

and subscribers can book seats at

the Pavilion to witness the semi-

final and final matches of the Open

Events.

Members and subscribers, booking

at the Pavilion only, have the

privilege of obtaining tickets at

reduced prices.

Booking will close at the Pavilion

to-morrow, at 8 p.m., and after

this date booking will be at Messrs.

Moutrie & Co. at ordinary prices.

The first semi-final is fixed for

Friday, April 28th.

The above arrangements are, of

course, subject to weather condi-

tions.

CHINESE FOOTBALLERS
FOR AUSTRALIA.

THE TENTATIVE PROGRAMME

WORLD TOUR LATER?

Among those departing by the s.s. Aki Maru for Australia are the 1927 Chinese Football team, under the captaincy of Mr. Lee Wai Tong formerly a South China A.A. football star. Among them are members of the South China Athletic Association team and of the Chinese Athletic team. The remainder of the players are from Shanghai. The team will tour Australia for three or four months, and expect to be back in China at the latter part of August.

The tentative programme arranged is as under:—

New South Wales at Sydney.
Metropolis at Sydney.
Northern Districts at Newcastle.
Victoria at Melbourne.
South Australia at Adelaide.
West Australia at Perth or Fremantle.
West Australia at Perth.
South Australia at Adelaide.
Australia (exhibition) at Adelaide.
Victoria at Melbourne.
Charity game at Melbourne.
Australia (exhibition) at Melbourne.

1st Test at Sydney.
South Coast at Wollongong.
Maitland in S.M. District.
2nd Test at Newcastle.
Newcastle at Newcastle.
Queensland at Brisbane.
West Moreton at Ipswich.
3rd Test at Brisbane.
Toowoomba at Toowoomba.
North Coast at Bundaberg.

A Chinese team which went to Australia a few years ago did quite well, and on their return the South China A.A. became Senior Football League champions for the only time in its history.

The last tour was under Australian supervision. This time, Professor K. L. Kwong (manager of the Loh Wah Football Club, Shanghai), is in charge with Mr. Quei Tze King (Consul-General for at Melbourne) as patron and advised. Mr. C. Y. Woo will also be going and the team includes fifteen players.

Professor Kwong is quoted by the *China Press* as saying that should the tour meet with financial backing, he may bring the same team on a world tour including Europe and America.

The last Australian match is on August 13th and the players hope to return in time for 8th Far Eastern Olympiad at Shanghai on August 27th to September 3rd.

TO-NIGHT'S RECITAL.

MR. HARRY ORE'S
PROGRAMME.INTERESTING EVENING AT
THEATRE ROYAL.

In connection with the Beethoven Centenary, Mr. Harry Ore has arranged to give a Beethoven recital at the Theatre Royal this evening, beginning at 9.15. Mr. Ore will be assisted by Mrs. H. E. Gardner (soprano), and Mr. C. Y. Pasang (violinist). The items to be rendered will include the "Moonlight" and "Spring" sonatas, the Funeral and Turkish marches, the "Ade-lais" and "The Kiss."

Mr. Ore's "Variations on a Theme by Beethoven" was performed by Messrs. L. Benditzky and V. Schaefer in Chicago on February 28th. The following Press tributes are of local interest:

The Music News, Friday, Feb. 19th, 1927:—A piece of length, dignity and much difficulty, it intrigues attention and rewards it at the same time.

Musical Leader, Thursday, Feb. 17th, 1927:—It is a hearing assured its popularity as a programme number, for it permitted originality of expression, skill, and solidity of musicianship.

Musical America, Saturday, Feb. 18th, 1927:—The variations are skilfully written and well adapted to two pianos. Against an appropriate classical background Mr. Ore has expressed some capital whimsicalities in the pungent Russian manner.

Chicago Journal, Wednesday, Feb. 16th, 1927:—It is a delightful work, one which clings in a measure to the classical style of original and yet is admirably coloured with that Russian appreciation of what makes high entertainment, in a manner at once musicianly and droll.

JAPANESE REFUGEE
PROBLEM.ACCOMMODATION IN
SHANGHAI.ARRANGEMENTS FOR
DEPARTURE.

The total number of Japanese refugees who have arrived in Shanghai from up-river has not so far been announced, but the total is considerable. Many of these still remain in Shanghai although large numbers are leaving as soon as possible to return to their native places in Japan. During the past week, 2,000 left for Japan.

The refugee problem has been effectively handled locally by consular authorities and by a special committee headed by Mr. Kawabata, president of the Japanese Residents' Corporation, the governing body for the Japanese community in municipal matters.

At the time of the first exodus from Hankow and Nanking, special accommodation was provided for the Japanese in residences, a Buddhist Temple and the Japanese School in Hongkew, but with the departure of so many from Shanghai this pressure has been considerably relaxed.

Last Tuesday the total number of arrivals included 107 men, 51 women and 30 children, from Yehyang, Ichang, Shasi, Kiukiang and Hankow, and of this number 83 are going immediately to Nagasaki, 4 to Mogi, 66 to Kobe and two to Yokohama while the remainder will stay in Shanghai.

Aiding the work of the committees and consular authorities are steamships and railways. The Nippon Yusen Kaisha has granted a 50 per cent reduction in fares to Japan for refugees and a railway in Japan has reduced its fares to one half for the same purpose. It is also officially stated that the very poor, and those who through the flight from up-river places have become destitute, are being provided for from the national treasury.—*North China Daily News*.

TRADE UNIONS STRONGER
IN MANILA.MORE STRIKES BUT FEW
STRIKERS.

EMIGRATION FIGURES.

The growth of trade unions was the outstanding labour development in the Philippines during 1926, states the *Manila Times*.

Proof of the growing influence of labour unions is to be found in the greater number of strikes backed by them. Official statistical data show that of the 27 strikes declared last year, only three were declared by non-unionists. This compares with 18 strikes declared by labour unions and five by non-unionists during the year previous.

One interesting detail must not be left unsaid, however, and that is while there were more labour strikes during 1926 than during 1925, the number of strikers were considerably less. Their duration ranged from one to 17 days.

Official figures show that there were more Filipinos who returned to the islands that left for Hawaii last year, the number of emigrants being 3,356, and those returned 3,260. This represents a sharp drop from 1925 emigration of 1925, when a total of 6,519 labourers left the islands for Hawaii. Of this number only 2,754 returned.

Approximately one-third of the Filipino labourers who have emigrated to Hawaii since 1923 have returned. Statistics show that 11,428 out of 35,188 who have gone to Hawaii during the last five years are now here. The emigrants were composed of 22,063 males, 3,859 females, and 2,265 minors. Of those who have returned, 9,010 were males, 1,009 females, and 1,409 minors.

The rate of Filipino emigration to Hawaii may be seen from the following figures:—In 1922, 8,183; 1923, 7,201; 1924, 9,009; 1925, 8,519; and 1926, 3,356. The rate of return follows:—In 1922, 1,533; 1923, 1,436; 1924, 2,105; 1925, 2,754; and 1926, 3,260.

FEWER ACCIDENTS AND
FIRES.BUT MANY MORE ARRESTS IN
MANILA.INTERESTING STATISTICS
GIVEN.

Says the *Manila Times* of last week:—Police statistics for March show a slight decrease from the February reports in accidents and fires, but arrests took a big jump, according to the monthly report of Colonel John W. Green.

The accident list was headed by the automobile as usual. During March police records show that 56 persons were injured in 290 accidents. February had 321 accidents while January totalled but 229. Thirty-seven crashes involved street cars and resulted in the injury of eight people.

Fires increased, there being 20 as compared with 15 for February and as many for January. Notable among the latter were the disastrous Escolta and Tondo affairs.

Cartomata accidents were slightly fewer during March, 50 being the monthly total, as against 62 for February and only 40 for January.

The number of arrests in January was 1,774, in February but 1,261, and last month 1,908.

The latter was considerably enlarged by the capture of 487 alleged gamblers. Other arrests were 234 for cruelty to animals; 17 for assault; 28 for estafa; 18 for blocking the sidewalk; 86 for violations of the motor vehicle laws; 13 for robbery; 62 for theft; 34 for vagrancy; and 240 for breaking traffic regulations.

Fourteen cases of attempted suicide were reported. Fifteen dog-bites and one monkey bite were recorded. Three strikes and three labour accidents are carried on the police books. Of prisoners taken during the month, 746 were identified as having previous records.

SHANGHAI PROVISIONAL
COURT.

SOME SPIRITUALIST FRAUDS.

HOW FRAUDULENT MEDIUMS ARE ENCOURAGED.

PSYCHICAL RESEARCH WORKERS EXPOSURE.

The exposure I am able to make is due to the intervention of some well-known Spiritualists who desire to warn the public against a cheat, writes Mr. Sydney A. Moseley in the *Sunday Herald*. I do so willingly, but I would point out that so far as the main purpose of this investigation goes I am no longer concerned with the unmasking of individual mediums.

It proves nothing beyond what I have proved again and again: that in the movement are many persons who are doing incalculable harm to the cause of Spiritualism, and are responsible for much of the sensational journalism of which genuine Spiritualists complain.

I will say in the plainest possible terms that exposures cannot answer the question we have set ourselves, which is: "Are the dead still with us?" Unless, of course, we are prepared to say that all mediums are cheats, and all the evidence offered is either fraudulent or imagined. Which is absurd.

Yet it is the bounden duty of Spiritualists and anti-Spiritualists to expose sheer rascality when it is met. There has opened recently a new psychic society which advertises itself in the *Spiritualist Press* over a monomaniac address. A friend of mine, a man of letters who is an unrelenting believer in Spiritualism, wrote asking for a sitting. That night he met an officer of the Marylebone Spiritualist Association who had already sat with the new society's medium.

Previously Exposed.

"The sittings were supposed to be held in the light," he said, "and at first we actually did have the lights on. But the medium soon got up and turned them down! Unfortunately for him, he did not notice that a streak of light just revealed him to me, for I was sitting just by him."

"The medium has a bald pate, and when the sitting started I watched it. Gradually it moved with the medium's head and body—right forward till it was obvious to me that the medium was sitting well forward in his chair and was manipulating the trumpet. Some of the 'talks with the spirits' between new sitters and the medium were really pitiful. It is an abomination, and I think it ought to be stopped."

I think so, too, especially since I find that this irreverent rascal is a medium whom I had previously opposed.

This man is a so-called trumpet medium. He uses a black glove and manipulates the trumpet himself in the dark. He is a thoroughly discredited person, yet he is permitted to open up again under a high-sounding title and mislead innocent victims of their money and to commit the most infamous and heartless impostures.

Notoriety Welcomed.

I sat with another so-called medium who cheated. From beginning to end she was an obvious fake, and when she blithely walked into every trap I laid for her I thought it was time to bring the force to aid and. Now this "transparent humbug" is another of many who are permitted—by the police and by genuine Spiritualists—to degrade a sacred and scientific cult.

To mention her name is merely to give her a gratuitous advertisement, for I have found that even the most complete unmasking of those who batten on the credulity of their victims and who transparently obtain money under false pretences are immune from police interference and are protected by a small but insistent body of fanatical Spiritualists. Therefore, it is a matter of satisfaction to me that my exposure of the new psychic society was inspired by Spiritualists themselves.

The great body of avowed Spiritualists, those who have obtained personal evidence in their own homes, are as shocked and as indignant as I am at the effrontery of the cheating medium. Yet the fact remains that the seeker after truth in this all-important subject has to face a large body of scheming impostures—the counterfeiters of the real thing.

GIRL'S MIDNIGHT CLIMB.

SCAFFOLD ADVENTURE AFTER A PARTY.

A remarkable acrobatic turn provided by a girl in Mayfair at midnight was described at Marlborough-street Police Court.

Trilby Rose, aged twenty-two, described as independent of Don-high-street, S.W., was accused of insulting behaviour and using insulting words.

Rose, a vivacious brunette, wore a light green tam-o'-shanter and a buttonhole of calendula and shamrock.

Police-Constable G. Milne, said that a crowd watched Rose climbing

"One Swallow —"

Hereward Carrington, who carried out experiments with the world-famous medium Eusapia Palladino, declared that "Ninety-eight per cent of psychical phenomena are fraudulent." That remarkable estimate is borne out by my recent experiences.

Spiritualist after Spiritualist has made the amazing claim to me that a medium found cheating need not necessarily be a consistent cheat.

Even Eusapia was admittedly caught cheating on more than one occasion. Sir A. Conan Doyle admitted that the mediums Slade and Monek cheated on occasions; three mediums recently caught cheating are similarly defended by those who should be among the first to disown them.

Leading Spiritualists with whom I have consulted during this investigation tell me that "psychical manifestations," "dark séances," the "curtained cabinets," and other paraphernalia of the professional mediums are coming more and more into disrepute. I should think so, too. For without those mental evidences of survival which so many confident Spiritualists have obtained in the quiet of their homes, it seems to me well-nigh impossible to discover that vital and much-to-be-desired evidence.

Apparently there are few materialising mediums in this country. At any rate, we usually have to import them, like Valantine, who seems to have made many converts and the very latest—Elenore Zugun—who is alleged to have been found cheating.

Because such mediums are rare, however, that is no reason why Spiritualists should countenance impostors because it is believed "they only cheat on occasions." This attitude of leniency simply flabbergasts me.

On such psychical medium, I was told, is looked up two years in advance. Even the greatest lawyer, the most eminent physician, can hardly make such an extraordinary claim of being so far booked ahead! How this squares with the repeated assertion that there is no money in Spiritualism I fail to see.

Indeed, there is money—easy money—in all the psychic and alleged psychic branches—and I agree with that growing and influential section of Spiritualists who abjure the commercial side of their religion or science. Manifestly, it must be a big temptation for a medium who has a family to support to "get results" in any circumstances.

Bear in mind, too, that it is exceedingly difficult to detect fraud in the dark while holding hands, and it is only those who have broken their word and have either seized the "materialising spirit" or have flashed on the light, who have discovered brazen and disgraceful cheating.

I congratulate my Spiritualist friend on taking stern action against the cheat, but I beg them to be consistent and to ban such black sheep from the movement, whether they possess psychic powers or not. They pass psychic powers or not, they cannot convince the calculating investigator to say that the occasion on which a man was found cheating was a rare one. How is one to know?

Testimonial For A Fraud.

We may forgive a defaulting cashier, and in the kindness of our heart we give him another job. We deliver him from temptation—and we safeguard ourselves. A medium the other day was caught red-handed with a white sheet, masquerading in the dark as a materialised spirit. And some cranks are getting up a testimonial for him!

Cannot its leaders save Spiritualism from sheer stupidity of this sort? After all, the movement is getting on in years. Isn't it time that select body of its adherents should hold a test and give an official diploma to those who have passed a strict examination—a diploma which would be withdrawn whenever its holder was discovered to be cheating?

Let it be known that even if all professional mediums were banned the movement would still go on. They achieve nothing for the movement except at intervals to bring odium upon it.

up a scaffold. She climbed as high as the fourth floor and refused to come down at his request.

Mr. Mead (the magistrate): How did you propose to get her down; by moral persuasion?

The policeman said that he did not know at the moment.

He added that he climbed up the scaffold, but before he did so Rose looked through a window and frightened an old woman who was in bed. Eventually she descended by a ladder, between him and a civilian. When twenty feet from the ground she swung herself out and shouted to the people below.

Mr. Mead: Is she a stoic? Detective-Sergeant Walsling: She had been out with a party of students, who dared her to climb the scaffold.

Rose was ordered to pay 10s.

P. & O. SERVICES.

OUTLOOK FOR FREIGHT IMPROVEMENT.

The first of a series of annual staff dinners of the P. & O. Co. was held on March 18th at the Trocadero Restaurant, when some 250 members assembled.

The company's chairman, Lord Inchcape, paid tribute to the loyal service rendered to the company by the entire staff, afloat and ashore, and expressed the opinion that, while the number of passengers carried over the company's various lines, continually increased, a revival in the volume of freight could not be long delayed.

Captain W. Halpin Sweny, in proposing the health of the chairman, said that, with the advent of Lord Inchcape, a new era in the company's history began, and they of the staff soon had reason to thank him for an all-round increase of prosperity. He pointed to Lord Inchcape's efforts as an untiring fellow-worker, and asked the company to honour the toast of one who, on every hand, had proved himself to be, as one of the staff had early described him, "a good fellow," in the literal sense of the phrase. The toast was very cordially pledged.

The company included Miss Elsie Mackay, Lord Inchcape's daughter, who has given valuable guidance in the decoration and furnishing of the cabins and public rooms of the steamers which have, in rapid succession, been added to the P. & O. fleet during recent years, and the following: Mr. R. T. Clarke, superintendent engineer; Captains (retired) E. B. Bartlett, E. W. Bruce, A. F. Vine, C. D. Bennett, J. B. Ferguson, A. B. Armitage, H. W. A. Clark; Captains (active) T. C. E. Dayas, C. W. Burleigh, F. G. Cadiz; Mr. F. Ritchie, managing director; Mr. Kenneth Mackay; Mr. F. O. Allen, Mr. C. F. Hotblack (directors); Mr. W. C. Symes, assistant manager; Mr. P. J. Abbott, secretary; Mr. H. H. Joseph, Dr. Arnold Chaplin, Mr. A. G. Wesche.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Adriatic (Blue Funnel), due July 15th.

Africa (Mannert), due April 25th.

Aeneas (Blue Funnel), due May 1st.

Agave (Blue Funnel), due May 28th.

Ajafra (E. & A.), due to-day.

Autolycus (Blue Funnel), due to-day.

Automedon (Blue Funnel), due May 21st.

Benmore (Ben Line), due April 27th.

Colobus (Melchers), due May 4th.

Dessau (Melchers), due May 19th.

Deustonia (Blue Funnel), due June 28th.

Elpenor (Blue Funnel), due April 28th.

Empress of Asia (C.P.B.), due April 28th.

Fulda (Melchers), due May 31st.

Glenara (Jardine), due May 1st.

Helena (Blue Funnel), due June 23rd.

Leion (Blue Funnel), due July 3rd.

Kalyan (P. & O.), due June 9th.

Macedonia (P. & O.), due June 23rd.

Kashmir (P. & O.), due July 7th.

Kashmir (P. & O.), due May 15th.

Machon (Blue Funnel), due June 18th.

Mantua (P. & O.), due May 25th.

Mantua (P. & O.), due May 10th.

Morea (P. & O.), due April 28th.

Nellere (P. & O.), due June 23rd.

Novara (P. & O.), due June 28th.

Oryza (P. & O.), due April 28th.

Orestes (Blue Funnel), due June 3rd.

Patroclus (Blue Funnel), due June 22nd.

Perseus (Blue Funnel), due July 7th.

Phenias (Blue Funnel), due May 11th.

Preussens (Jensen), due May 19th.

Rawalpindi (P. & O.), due July 21st.

Santhia (B.I. & Apear), due May 15th.

Sarpedon (Blue Funnel), due May 25th.

St. Albans (E. & A.), due June 8th.

Takliwa (B.I. & Apear), due May 6th.

Talma (B.I. & Apear), due to-day.

Tantulus (Blue Funnel), due May 13th.

Tanda (E. & A.), due May 7th.

Tilawa (B.I. & Apear), due May 2nd.

The Prince Line m.v. *Asiatic* Prince arrived at New York on April 22nd, and the m.v. *Japanese* Prince arrived at Yokohama on April 24th.

THE "PRESIDENT ADAMS."

ARRIVES HERE YESTERDAY.

PASSENGERS AND FREIGHT.

The a.s. *President Adams* in the Dollar Steamship Line's round the world service, Captain W. A. Ross in command, arrived yesterday morning from New York via Panama Canal, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Honolulu, Kobe and Shanghai.

The vessel arrived with a capacity cargo and a heavy passenger list for Hong Kong and other Oriental ports.

For Hong Kong:—918 tons general cargo, 12 first class passengers, 717 bags of mail.

Principal items among Hong Kong cargo are:—1,131 packages of hardware and machinery, 2,322 packages of groceries, 1,568 bales of old newspaper, 2,760 cases of sardines, 370 cases of fresh fruit, 425 bags of paraffine wax.

Prominent among the passengers are the following:—

Mr. Charles Talbot, Oriental Manager for the Union Oil Company, of California, is on his way from Kobe to Singapore on a business trip.

Mrs. G. D. and Miss Marion Freeman, mother and sister of the general manager of the United States Rubber Company in Singapore, are on their way to the Straits Settlements.

Mr. Joseph Ista, formerly purchasing agent for the "Emporium," the well known San Francisco Department Store, is on a tour of the world.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, April 25th.

Time	Barometer	Thermometer	Humidity	Wind	Direction	Force	Weather	Rain
at 2 p.m.	30.00	30.05	29.98	62	64	75	68	68
at 6 a.m.	30.00	30.05	29.98	62	64	75	68	68
at 3 p.m.	30.00	30.05	29.98	62	64	75	68	68

Highest open-air temperature, 84th: 72. Lowest open-air temperature, 25th: 64.

B-Blue sky; C-Cloudy; D-Drizzle; F-Fog; L-Lightning; M-Mist; O-Overcast; P-Passing showers; Q-Squalls; R-Rain; T-Thunder.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From April 25th to May 2nd, 1927.

Day of Week	Date	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Tues.	26	h. m.	4.4	h. m.	9.18
Wed.	27	h. m.	4.4	h. m.	9.18
Thurs.	28	h. m.	4.4	h. m.	9.18
Fri.	29	h. m.	4.4	h. m.	9.18
Sat.	30	h. m.	4.4	h. m.	9.18
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Mon.	2	h. m.	4.4	h. m.	9.18

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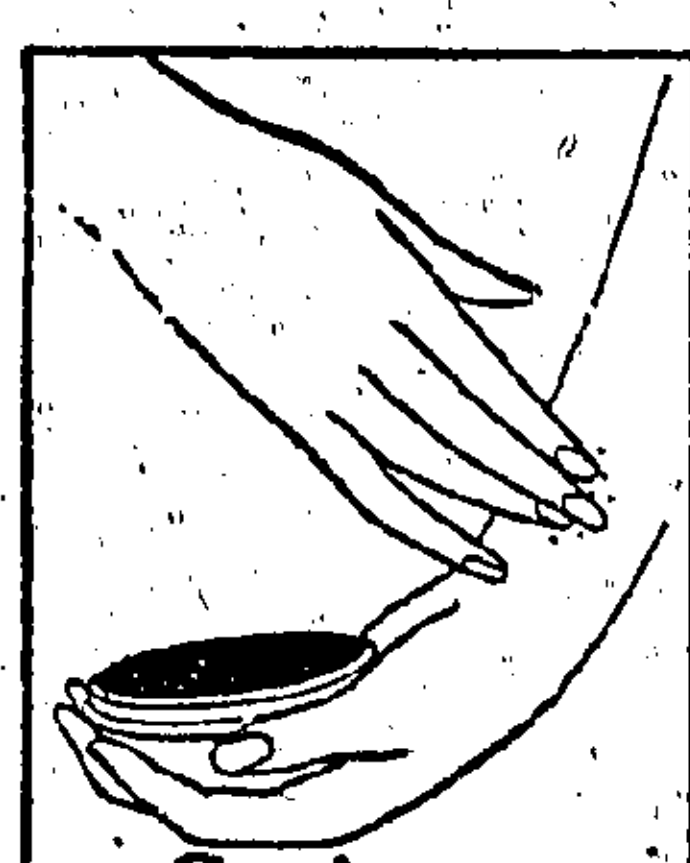
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Consignees are requested to surrender their Bills of Lading to the Underwriter for countersignature.

MELCHERS & CO., Agents, NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD BREMEN, Hong Kong, 24th April, 1927. [4638]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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ARRIVALS.

April 25th.
Livingstone, Norwegian str., 918 tons, Capt. K. W. Nyquist, from Bangkok and Kohsichang, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 318—Chin Seng Hong.
Schwabach, German str., 4,853 tons, Capt. Th. Minsson, from Bremen, which port she left on February 27th, with 9,000 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Melchers & Co.
Suigwan, Japanese str., 1,838 tons, Capt. C. Kawamura, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 391—N.Y.K.
Tak King, Chinese str., 105 tons, Capt. Cheng Yung Fat, from Autau, with a general cargo, lying at Luen Cheong Wharf—Fook Hoi S.S. Co.
Wang Shek Kwang, Chinese str., 860 tons, Capt. C. Meyer, from Saigon, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C41—Kwang Hang Hing.

April 25th.
Benryart, American str., 3,729 tons, Capt. K. Hansen, from San Francisco and Manila. The latter port she left on April 2nd, with sugar and general cargo, lying at Stonecutters—Swayne Flett Inc.
Chickling, British str., 1,222 tons, Capt. A. F. Summerfield, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B9—B & S.
Dorsett, Chinese str., 1,568 tons, Capt. E. Jones, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A10—Yuet On S.S. Co.

Hanoi, French str., 630 tons, Capt. L. Cruchot, from Haiphong and Fort Bayard, with general cargo and coal, lying at buoy No. B20—M.M.

Hydungrua, British str., 500 tons, Capt. Wm. Peritt, from Fort Bbayard, with a general cargo, lying at Chiu On Wharf—Chiu On S.S. Co.
Norriken, Norwegian str., 1,776 tons, Capt. Robert Jensen, from Singapore and Hoibow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B20—For N.Y.S. Co.

President Adams, American str., 6,800 tons, Capt. W. A. Ross, from Boston and Shanghai. The latter port she left on April 22nd, with 918 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Dollar S.S. Line.

President Jefferson, American str., 8,443 tons, Capt. F. R. Nichols, from Shanghai, which port she left on April 23rd, with 2,700 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—A.M.L.

Shingo Maru, Japanese str., 6,361 tons, from San Francisco and Shanghai. The latter port she left on April 23rd, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A20—N.Y.K.

Taka Maru, Japanese str., 4,283 tons, Capt. U. Aoki, from Kobe and Iloilo, with sugar and general cargo, lying at buoy No. A29—N.Y.K.

West Cadron, American str., 3,504 tons, Capt. C. J. Swenson, from Portland, Ore., and Cuba. The latter port she left on April 21st, with flour, lumber and general cargo, lying at buoy No. A28—Columbia Pacific S.S. Co.

CLEARANCES.

April 25th.
Batavia Maru, for Takao.
Chekiang, for Shanghai.
City of Cardiff, for Shanghai.
Fook Hong, for Hoibow.
Munda Maru, for Swatow.
President Adams, for Manila.
President McKinley, for Shanghai.
Samarang Maru, for Moji.
Schulden, for Shanghai.
Silverpine, for Manila.
Song Hong, for Haiphong.
Sun Sang, for Singapore.
Tangkuan Maru, for Swatow.
Tainan Maru, for Canton.
Tatichi Maru, for Singapore.
Tibet Maru, for Amoy.
Taka Maru, for Shanghai.
West Cadron, for Manila.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.
Per s.s. President Jefferson, from Shanghai, on April 25th.—For Hong Kong: Mrs. O. Berley, Mr. C. A. Bovey, Lieut. Dinsdale, Mr. C. A. Jacobs, Mr. A. Kurnoff, Rev. C. Lacy, Capt. Macpherson, Mr. B. Perry, Mr. Y. Platons, Miss D. Pittard, Mr. H. A. Smith, Rev. J. W. Shephard, Mr. C. L. Stoud, Mr. R. Schlaf, Mr. S. Takasaki. Among passengers passing through on their way to Manila were: Mr. E. A. Aced, Miss Grace Adams, Master P. Adams, Prof. and Mrs. W. D. Briggs, Dr. and Mrs. D. S. Courpron, Miss P. Courpron, Master W. E. Courpron, Mr. I. A. Calapig, Mr. H. M. Cavender, Miss A. B. Chandler, Mr. C. Fernandez, Mrs. R. Freilson, Miss R. Grau, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Grey, Mr. Lou Hui, Miss H. Kimball, Miss Mary Muirhead, Mrs. K. Maryaniki, Miss L. L. Major, Mr. W. S. Newman, Miss K. Rutledge, Dr. J. Rodriguez, Mr. and Mrs. L. Schurnmacher, Mr. O. P. Sutherland, Miss L. Teagarden, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. White, Mr. F. O. Wadsworth, Mr. Geo. Weber, Mrs. D. B. Weniger, Master M. L. Weniger, and Miss J. Weniger.

Per s.s. President Adams, from Shanghai, on April 24th.—For Hong Kong: Mr. Wilhelm Cordes, Mrs. Chester A. Gile, Miss Marion L. Gile, Miss Carolyn E. Gile, Mr. Jack Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney S. Thomas, Mr. E. C. Vissering, For Manila: Mrs. Pedro Francisco, Miss Stella Francisco, Mrs. Marion C. Greer, Miss Anna Marie Love, Miss Heitie N. Magness, Miss Marie F. Mugler, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Purcell, Mrs. W. G. Ragley, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Saner, Mr. J. C. Saner, Jr., Master R. W. Saner, Miss Margaret B. Smith, Mrs. Jones Von Rosen, For Singapore: Mr. A. E. Brounley, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie H. Buchanan, Master Arthur Buchanan, Mrs. G. D. Freeman, Miss Marion Freeman, Mr. John M. Donald Lang, Mrs. K. M. Layland, Mr. and Mrs. Talbot Simpson, Jr.

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May 18	Seattle	Geo. Washington	June 19	25th May
May 24	San Francisco	Majestic	June 25	31st May
June 1	Seattle	Berengaria	June 29	3rd June
June 8	San Francisco	Olympic	July 7	10th June
June 15	Seattle	Aquatic	July 18	21st June
June 22	San Francisco	Homestead	July 25	28th June
June 29	Seattle	Mauretania	Aug. 1	5th July
July 6	San Francisco	Majestic	Aug. 6	10th July
July 13	Seattle	Berengaria	Aug. 10	13th July

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PRESIDENT WILSON	Tuesday, June 21st, 8.00 a.m.

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TO MANILA.

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PRESIDENT JEFFERSON	... April 26th, 6.00 p.m.
PRESIDENT LINCOLN	... May 10th, 8.00 a.m.
PRESIDENT GARFIELD	... May 10th, 6.00 p.m.
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TIENTSIN via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"LEESANG"	Thursday, 28th April, at 7 a.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"FOOSHING"	Sunday, 1st May, at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"NAMSANG"	Monday, 2nd May, at 3 p.m.
OSAKA via MOJI, YOKO. HAMA & KOBE	"HOSANG"	Tuesday, 3rd May, at 7 a.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"HANGSANG"	Wednesday, 4th May, at 7 a.m.
TIENTSIN	"CHEONGSHING"	Thursday, 5th May, at 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN	"MAUSANG"	Monday, 9th May, at 3 p.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"LAISANG"	Tuesday, 10th May, at 3 p.m.
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EMPERESS OF ASIA	July 13	July 16	July 19	July 22	July 31
EMPERESS OF CANADA	Aug. 3	Aug. 6	Aug. 9	Aug. 12	Aug. 21
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Aug. 24	Aug. 27	Aug. 30	Sept. 3	Sept. 12
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TANGO MARU ... Wednesday, 22nd JuneNEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.
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TSUYAMA MARU ... Saturday, 14th MayLIVERPOOL via Singapore, Colombo, Fort Said & Ports.
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TOTORI MARU ... Thursday, 28th April
RANGOON MARU ... Saturday, 30th AprilCALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
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NAGATO MARU ... Tuesday, 10th MayNAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
TANGO MARU ... Saturday, 21st MaySHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
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ARRIVALS FROM EUROPE:

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Shipping News

Daily Statement, Waterfront
News, etc.YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT
RETURNS.

LOCAL IMPORTS DOWN.

THROUGH CARGOES GOOD.

Local imports during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were again down, through cargoes had increased considerably on those of the previous day.

There were 4,300 tons of general merchandise landed here. These were brought by eight vessels, of which, 1,906 tons were discharged from four British steamers. The best return was shown by the s.s. Wong Shek Kung which brought 1,500 tons from Saigon.

Through freights amounted to 20,768 tons. These were carried on eight steamers, with 2,222 tons on five British vessels. The two best returns were 9,500 tons and 5,341 tons. The former was manifested on the s.s. Schwaben (German) from Bremen and Singapore, and the latter was 5,341 tons on the s.s. Toba Maru from Kobe and Iloilo.

During the period under review, there were 15 arrivals and 7 departures. The nationalities were:—British, 5 arrivals and 5 departures; American, 2 arrivals; Dutch, 1 arrival and 1 departure; Norwegian, 1 arrival; German, 1 arrival; Japanese, 2 arrivals and 1 departure; Chinese, 3 arrivals.

The following were the cargo carriers:—

S.S. Hydranga (British) from Port Bayard, 127 tons general, and \$35,000 bullion for Hong Kong.

S.S. Kwong Sang (British) from Canton 300 tons general for other ports.

S.S. Chekiang (British) from Canton, 5 tons general for other ports.

S.S. Le Sang (British) from Shanghai and Swatow, 400 tons general and 200 pigs for Hong Kong and 750 tons for other ports.

S.S. Nui Sang (British) from Kobe and Amoy, 575 tons general for Hong Kong and 270 tons for other ports.

S.S. West Calder (American) from Portland, and Cebu, 900 tons general for Hong Kong, and 1,200 tons for other ports.

S.S. Bear Port (American) from San Francisco and Manila, 40 tons general for Hong Kong and 3,200 tons for other ports.

S.S. Livingstone (Norwegian) from Bangkok and Kohistan, 21,200 packages general for Hong Kong.

S.S. Schwaben (German) from Bremen and Singapore, 723 tons general for Hong Kong and 9,500 tons for other ports.

S.S. Toba Maru (Japanese) from Kobe and Iloilo, 5,341 tons general for other ports.

S.S. Sang Shan Maru (Japanese) from Canton, 220 tons general for Hong Kong.

S.S. Derwent (Chinese) from Swatow, 200 tons general for other ports.

S.S. Wong Shek Kung (Chinese) from Saigon, 1,500 tons, general for Hong Kong.

DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

TWO "PRESIDENT" LINERS
ARRIVE.

BISECTING THE "TJILBOET"

[BY LONGSHOREMAN.]

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According to a notice issued by the Canton Customs Authorities dated April 15th, agents of Chinese vessels are hereby notified that in future all Chinese steamers, motor vessels and launches must carry "Certificates of Inspection of Hull and Machinery" granted by the Navigation Bureau. The Authorities have decided that Certificates granted by Foreign Engineers will hereafter be regarded as invalid.

Chinese Passengers.

There were 983 Chinese passengers entering into the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday. Of these, 280 came from Amoy; 55 from Canton and 333 from Swatow.

Bullion.

Bullion to the value of \$35,000 was brought into the Colony by the s.s. Hydranga arriving here yesterday from Port Bayard.

"President" Liners In Port.

The two "President" Liners who came into port yesterday and are now moored alongside the Kowloon Wharves were the s.s. President Adams from Shanghai and the s.s. President Jefferson from Hong Kong. The President Adams brought 12 Saloon passengers for Hong Kong; 15 Manila; 13 for Singapore; 1 for Port Said; 3 for Alexandria; 7 for Naples; 10 for Genoa; 4 Marseilles; 1 for New York.

The "President Jefferson" from the North brought 24 Saloon passengers for Hong Kong and 28 for Manila. Amongst the passengers were:—

Lieut. Dinsdale and Capt. MacPherson:—British army officers en route to Hong Kong from Shanghai.

Mr. J. E. Jacobs:—U. S. Vice Consul en route to Hong Kong from Shanghai.

Mr. E. A. Aced:—With the firm of E. A. Aced & Co., of Manila, P.I.

Prof. and Mrs. William D. Briggs:—Connected with Stanford University, en route to the Philippines.

Dr. D. S. Corpron and family, Miss L. Tugarden and Miss U. L. Major:—Missionaries en route to Manila.

Mr. H. M. Cavender:—General agent of the American Mail and Dollar steamship lines at Manila.

Miss A. B. Chandler and Miss Ruth F. Grau:—Round the world tourists from Los Angeles.

Mr. Carlos Fernandez and Mr. George Weber Jr.:—Totaco men en route to Manila.

Mr. W. E. Gray and wife:—With the C. W. Rosenstock Co., of Manila.

Mr. Lou Hutt:—With the International News Reel Co., en route to Manila.

Mr. W. S. Newman:—Shanghai tobacco man, en route to Manila.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Schurman:—Consul general, at Manila for Czechoslovakia.

Mr. E. H. White and family:—Round the world tourists.

(Continued on next column).

Mrs. D. Wenniger and family:—En route to Singapore.

The "Tjilboet," Tricky Work.

As reported already in this column the s.s. Tjilboet which lies ashore at Lingling Island since April 5th, is to be cut into halves and the work is now proceeding with all possible speed.

The task is an exceedingly risky one, for the cutting operation cannot be carried out beneath the waterline, and chance takes a large share in the completion of the break.

No definite time can be given for the conclusion of the job, but it is hoped that the aftermath will be floated successfully during the current week.

The Tjilboet, of the J.C.I.L., has now left the port, sailing for Java on Sunday. The Tjilboet remains standing by the Tjilboet in case of unforeseen developments.

Miscellaneous.

The overhaul of the s.s. Wing On, which is now in Taikoo Dock, will probably be completed by Thursday of this week, and she will then resume her run between here and Kowloon on Sunday. She went into dock for survey and repair following damage received in collision with the s.s. Anjou off Wongmum Customs Station last week.

H.M.S. Hermes is likely to go into Kowloon Docks this week for some alterations to her ventilation system.

The mail via Suez by the s.s. Santhia during the week-end totalled 175 bags.

A bookstand and a soda fountain were installed in the aircraft carrier Argus before that vessel left Portsmouth for the China Station.

Requests from other ships for book-stalls are under consideration by the N.A.A.F.I.

Normal River Sailings.

With the return of the crew of the Fatshan on Saturday, as reported yesterday, and the departure of that steamer for Canton yesterday morning, the normal river sailings have been resumed.

The Tjilboet, berthed on Sunday night at ten o'clock here, the Tjilboet left for Canton yesterday, and there was no boat down yesterday afternoon, but the Fatshan returned again yesterday evening.

Macao Sailings.

Traffic to Macao over the week-end was very heavy, due to the Macao Race Meeting. The times at which steamers were to depart had been previously announced in the Press locally but there a good many passengers who missed their trip. In the ordinary way the Macao steamer leaves here at 8 a.m. on Sundays, but last Sunday it left at 8 a.m. More than 900 passengers made the trip on Saturday, and some 60 were left behind yesterday.

Shipping Movements.

The R.M.S. Empress of Russia left Nagasaki at 9 a.m. yesterday (Monday), and is due at Kobe today (Tuesday) at 9 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. Nyanza left Singapore for the port on the 22nd inst. at 5 p.m., with the outward English mails, and is due here on the 28th at about 6 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. Morca left Singapore for this port on the 24th inst. at 9 a.m., with the outward English mails, and is due here on the 25th inst. at about 10 a.m.

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"DELTA"	8,997	3rd May	Suez, Colombo and London.
"LAHORE"	6,252	11th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"NELLOR"	6,833	14th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"JEYPORE"	6,315	20th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"NYANZA"	7,023	28th May	Suez, Penang, Colombo, B'way & Karachi.
"MORCA"	10,198	28th May	Marseilles and London.
"KASHMIR"	9,006	11th June	Marseilles and London.
"MANTUA"	10,902	11th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"KALYAN"	9,144	9th July	Marseilles and London.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	32d July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"KASHGAR"	9,006	31st Aug.	Marseilles and London.
"RAWALPINDI"	10,919	20th Aug.	Marseilles and London.
"KARMALA"	9,123	3rd Sept.	Marseilles, London, & Antwerp.

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BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS

"TALMA"	10,000	23rd April, 1 p.m.	Singapore, Penang and Calcutta
"TILAWA"	10,000	29th April	do.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (SOUTH)

"ARAFURA"	6,000	23rd April, 4 p.m.	Manila, Sandakan, Iloilo, Thursday
"TANDA"	6,955	3rd June	Iloilo, Townsville, Brisbane,
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	1st July	Sydney and Melbourne.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	29th July	do.

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